

JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS, FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 1, 1904

**Prevented Asbestos Curtain From
Falling When Fire Broke Out
on the Stage--The City Stunned
by the Overwhelming Tragedy
--Usual New Year's Eve Cele-
brations are Abandoned.**

the "jamming" of the wires. The cause of the disaster was explained to day by an inspector of the fire department, who made a tour of the building and found the wire on which the gasolene flet flew out over the audience. The crowd at the hold, the gasolene curtains were pulled and prevented from being lowered. It was shown by the inspector that the wires of the most spectacular feature of the show was made electrically caused the disaster.

LATEST REPORT

Chicago, Jan. 1.—AL missing in the Chicago fire, has been identified, injuries received attention, and 37 others are reported missing. As only about 100 persons are still unidentified, many of the persons reported missing have doubtless been recovered from their fright and returned to their homes.

The best evidence obtainable is to the effect that the fire was caused by sparks from a gasolene lamp striking the edge of the drop curtain, but actual facts will not be known until after the coroner's inquest. A city

quietly up to this time, but when he refused to allow me to pass out peacefully I determined to get out if I had to, make all sorts of noise. I went along the balcony about ten feet to a glass partition and smashed it with my umbrella. I went out and down stairs. I heard the roar of the crowd as it came after me and I hurried with all my speed. They overtook me, however, and but for the fact I was close to the door I think my chance of life would have been almost nothing. As it was I think I must have walked the last ten feet of my passage to the exit on the bodies of those who had fallen."

The best evidence obtainable is to the effect that the fire was caused by sparks from a cigarette striking the edge of the drop curtain, but actual facts will not be known until after the coroner's inquest. A city building inspector was at the theatre just before the catastrophe and reported everything in good condition. To day several inspectors from the city building department made an inspection and declared the theatre and its management were strictly within the law. Still there was no sprinkling system as provided by law. It had no fire alarm connections nor did it have a ventilating shaft at the rear of the stage to conduct flames and smoke away from the auditorium in just such emergencies as arose yesterday. The law requires all theatres

A movement was inaugurated to night-
by the Chicago Architects' association,
which may result in a recommendation to
the mayor to close every theatre in the
city until exits and construction have
been examined. The mayor said to night
he saw no more reason for closing the
theatres than for stopping all railroad
trains after a disastrous wreck. In this
conclusion the mayor to night sent a
communication to theatrical proprietors
calling attention to failure of some to
comply with provisions of the fire ordin-
ance for firemen in theatres and notifying
him he had instructed the fire chief to
send firemen to playhouses as required by
law. He also said if the managers refused
to pay wages of these men he will close
their theatres and keep them closed until
they do so.

All day telegram of sympathy and aid poured in by telegraph. The mayor said to night: "I have received many offers of aid, and it may be that before we get through this a few persons will be found to have been put to need. But Chicago will be able to give them aid cheer. Most of these killed and injured persons identified, can be abundantly cared for. Among telegrams of condolence was one from President Roosevelt.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Hon. Carter Harrison, mayor. In common with all our people throughout the land, I extend to you and all the people of Chicago my deepest sympathy in the terrible catastrophe which has befallen them.

Theodore Roosevelt.
Washington, Dec. 31.—The following telegram has been received at the state department from Ambassador Choate at London:

Citizens of London, through the long year, after their deep sympathy and solidarity with the American people in their efforts of life in the Cuban revolution, Henry of France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Portugal, and the United States, have been the only ones who have not been able to do so.

Strong inhaled the flame, lost his grip and fell back into the hallway outside. The carpenter dragged him away. "I think a great many people could have been saved if that door had not been padlocked," said Strong. His wife is among the identified dead, his mother and niece missing. He is in a critical condition and may die.

Mrs. F. M. White and her mother, Mrs. M. C. Yawkey, of Marquette, Mich., had seats in the balcony and had an almost miraculous escape from death. Mrs. White says she saw sparks from a light

fall upon and set fire to stage drapery, that stage hands endeavored to extinguish it, but it spread until the top and sides of the stage were in flames. Then all the lower part of the theatre seemed ablaze. Mrs. White and her mother made their way to a fire escape platform. They were then in the midst of a jam of panic-stricken people. Half way down the fire escape ladder a shutter swung open, blocking the way. Mrs. White got the shutter and pushed it back, but it swung across

the way again, and when her mother tried to force her way by her skirt caught and held her firmly. The crowd behind made it impossible for her to return and release her mother. She caught her around the waist, tore her loose from the shutter and forced it out of the way. A fireman then carried her to the ground. Mrs. White lay down unassisted.

**The New Year is Ushered In
Without Evidence of Joy.**

Chicago, Dec. 30.—For the first time since Chicago has had bells to peal, whistles to shriek and horns blow the old year was allowed to silently take its place in history and the new year permitted to come with no evidence of joy at its birth.

In a proclamation issued this afternoon by Mayor Harrison he made the suggestion that the usual New Year's eve celebration be for this time omitted. The idea found ready response in the hearts of the people and the mayor's words in fact only gave utterance to unexpressed thoughts that filled them.

The appalling calamity of yesterday in the Iroquoistheatre has cast a shadow of deep grief and gloom and for the time being at least seems to have chilled and saddened all ordinary ambitions of life. Business to day was performed with a gloo view to actual necessity and even that much was carried out in a presumptuous manner.

Ordinarily on New Year's eve the streets are filled with merry makers, but to night the only throngs to be found anywhere were those around the morgues. Ordinarily numbers of fashionable restaurants in the heart of the city are filled with light hearted revellers who toast the year that passes and hail the year that comes.

Comparatively deserted and some of them closed entirely, with doors locked and curtains drawn. Usually among the gay people are found many members of the theatrical profession. To night not a single one was in evidence.

Theatre Employees Held Pending Coroners Verdict

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Seven employees of the Lyceum theatre were arrested to night on charges of being in the employ of Chief of Police O'Neill. The three against them at present is that of being accessory to manslaughter. They all are held pending the verdict of the coroner's jury. The men arrested are William Carleton, stage manager; Edward Manning, stage carpenter; Frank J. Vanover, E. M. Cummings, H. F. Clarke, Thomas McQueen and H. J. Maxson, stage hands. After being taken into custody, the officers told O'Neill they had been requested by people connected with the theatre to leave the city when they were advised them to do this. They refused to say further anything and were taken to the station where they were given by a district attorney, John H. Bennett. They said they were about to follow Bennett, and were taken to the station where they were held. They have been taken their trunks and will have some of the city and for the police arrested.

the chief of police said she needs no evidence against the inmates who have taken her. The more she knows about them, the better off she will be. The police will not let anyone know about the situation.

List of Persons Known to Have Lost Their Lives

Following is a list of the dead thus far identified, all from Chicago unless otherwise noted:

ADENECK, MRS. JOHN, Bartlett, Ill.

ROTHMAN, WALTER D., Laporte, Ind.
 RUTHER, ETHEL
 RYAN, MRS. C. D., Bartlett, Ill.
 BARNHEISEL, CHARLES R.
 BUTTELL, WILLIAM C.
 BRYERLOTH, HELEN.
 BISSINGER, WALTER B.
 BIRNDALEY, MRS. H. G.
 BODICE, W. W.
 BRINKLEY, MRS. EMMA
 BUEHLMANN, MARGARET
 BUTLER, ROSE
 BOYER, ALEXANDER
 BREFFTER, JULIA
 BRENNAN, PAUL
 BROWN, MISS, Evanston, Ill.
 BOICE, W. W.
 BARRY, MISS WILMA
 BECKFORD, GEAN.
 RUTLER, MRS. S. T., Evanston, Ill.
 BOETTSCHEMER, MRS. CHARLES F.
 BECKFORD, HELEN
 BLOOMER, MRS. J. W.
 BOWMAN, LUCIEN
 BETTSFORD, MRS. MABEL, Racine, Wis.
 BLISS, HARRY F., Racine, Wis.
 CLARK, E. T.
 COCHRAN, MISS
 COOPER, C.
 CONTELL, THOMAS
 COOPER, HELEN.
 COULTS, H. H.
 CURRAN, MAY
 COHN, MRS. JACOB
 CLATON, VINTON
 CANTWELL, AGNES, THOMAS
 CALDWELL, ROY, G.
 CHAPIN, MRS. W. F.
 COOPER, AGNES
 CROOKER, W. W.
 COPLER, LOLA
 CHASE, FRANK, MISS L. Decorah, Ia.
 COOPER, MISS L. Kenosha, Wis.
 COOPER, CHARLES, Kenosha, Wis.
 DIFFENDORF, LEANDER, Lincoln, Ill.

DELEE, MISS N.
DELEE, MRS. MILLIE J.
DODD, MRS. J. F., Delaware, Ohio.
DONALDSON, H., address unknown.
DONALDSON, MRS. M.
DYNDORTH, RUTH.
DYNDEN, TAYLOR.
DRYDEN, MRS. JOHN.
DAWSON, MRS., address unknown.
DEEDS, FLORENCE.
DOLAN, MICHAEL.
DOREST, MRS. CHARLES, Evanston.
DRYDENWORTH, HELEN, Evanston.
DICKHORST, MRS. MARY.
DEE, WILLIAM E.
DUNEGAN, MISS MARY.
EDLBRIDGE, MORT.
EISENBERG, EMIL.
ESPEN, MISS.
ELBERSTEIN, FRANK D.
ENGEL, VIOLET.
ENGEL, MINNIE.
ECKERSTEIN, MRS. J. A.
EISENDRATH, NATALIA.
EISENBERG, MARGORIE, Clinton, Iowa.
FALKENSTEIN, MISS GERTRUDE.
TIGGIBBONS, ANNA.
FOX, GEORGE SYDNEY, Winnetka.

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 "OLNAGAN, THOMAS J., Indian-
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 "RADY, MRS. LILLIAN M.
 "RADY, LEON
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 "OLZ, HELEN:
 "OLZBOWAN, JOHN J.
 "OLZTGERALD, MISS ANNA.
 "OLZ, MRS. C. O.
 "OISER, MARY
 "OJIN, MISS J.
 "OJIZT, MARY DOROTHY.
 "OJIZT, MAURICE, Winnette, III.
 "OJIZT, MRS. EULAND
 "OJIZT, MISS WILMA
 "OHAN, K.
 "OHLD, MRS. E. E.
 "OJIZT, HARRY.
 "OHLD, E. E.
 "OJARN, FRANK
 "OJARN, WILLIS
 "OLDSEY, VERA
 "OLDSEY, MRS. BEILE
 "RADY, LEON.
 "RAYSON, ALMA
 "RAGE, J.
 "RDENHEFF, HOPE
 "RAVER, MRS. CLARA

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Chicago, Dec. 31.—Herbert Dillea, musical director, was one of the first to notice the fire.

"After discovering that it was beyond control we jumped" the stage and picked up two members of the double sextet who had fainted," he said.

"With the assistance of some of the stage employees we carried them unconscious to the street where they soon revived. They were taken care of in nearby stores until they were able to secure their street clothing."

Dillea said other members of the orchestra tried to get some of the audience in the front seats to enter a passageway leading to the alley, but no attention was paid to them.

"It was during the second verse of 'The Pale Moonlight' that I suddenly saw a red light to my left in the proscenium arch. The moment I saw the glare I knew there was a fire, but I soon realized my own

MARTIN, W. Pullman, Ill.	WOLF, LEO, St. Louis, Mo.
MARTIN, HAROLD, Pullman, Ill.	WUNDERLICH, J. St. Louis, Mo.
MARTIN, ROBERT, Pullman, Ill.	WALDMAN, M. St. Louis, Mo.
MCCAUGHAN, HELEN, St. Louis, Mo.	WOLTMANN, O. St. Louis, Mo.
M'CLELLAND, JOSEPH, St. Louis, Mo.	WILLIAMS, H. St. Louis, Mo.
M'CLELLAND, JAMES, St. Louis, Mo.	WINSLOW, A. St. Louis, Mo.
MERRILL, MRS. St. Louis, Mo.	Mum.
MERRITT, MILDRED, St. Louis, Mo.	

MOSES, F. SPIE.
MUTER, J. A.
NORHOUSE, M. P.
MOORE, H. P.
MORTON, EDMUND, St. Louis.
MEADY, ED.
M'HALE, MRS. EDWARD.
MENDEL, MRS. A. N.
MENDEL, H.
MILLER, WILL.
WELLS, DONALD
WING, W. C.
WILSON, E. B.
WAGNER, MRS.
WEINSTEIN, S.
WEISS, L. G.
WHITNEY, MISS V.
WHITE, MISS T.
WIRES, E.
WHITE, MRS. M.
WHEELER, MRS. M.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—None
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sons that of Mr. and Mrs. Verduin, who have five children, two of whom are now adults. They started out together, but became separate ventures. Mr. Verduin is a theatre child, having been adopted by the family of Mr. Kuehnle, where they were denied some of the pleasures of life, but succeeded in making a fortune, and the children are well off, but the eldest son, who is now 25, says that his brothers had just this same experience. The contrast to the family is that of the Chicago family, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Verduin, who have five children, two of whom are now adults. They started out together, but became separate ventures. Mr. Verduin is a theatre child, having been adopted by the family of Mr. Kuehnle, where they were denied some of the pleasures of life, but succeeded in making a fortune, and the children are well off, but the eldest son, who is now 25, says that his brothers had just this same experience.

Thomas J. Coleman, electrician
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NEW IDEAS

In the Field of Education—
An Originality by A. W. Dow.

Much has been said and written these days about the methods of instruction originated and used by Mr. Arthur W. Dow, of Pratt Institute of Brooklyn, N. Y., and also of the Ipswich Summer school at Ipswich, Mass., to which students flock from all quarters of the country for a few weeks' work in design, composition, painting from nature or in some of the handicrafts, and to be under the inspiring instruction of Mr. Dow in this place of much natural beauty and historic interest.

These new art educational ideas, which are arousing so much enthusiasm, are exactly analogous to the new idea that are vitalizing education in general. They are born of a realization of the strongly intellectual and scientific tendencies of our times and represent an endeavor to prevent science from usurping fields of human activity where it has at most only a partial inherent right, and surely it is only a partial claim that science has on art, for science can furnish us only with the body wherewithal the soul of art is incarnated.

The old educational conception of an individual was that of a body possessing a mind which was a reservoir for facts, and the educators of the old school considered their work well done did they but "impart knowledge" enough to keep this reservoir well filled, and assiduously did they pour in a heterogeneous mass of fragments of science in the form of arithmetic, grammar, geography, spelling and many other things without ever a thought that, for this information to become of any vital and dynamic importance to the child, it must be in some way related to his experience, that it must be digested and assimilated and not merely appropriated, that the child must drink to quench his thirst and not drink simply in anticipation of thirst in the future.

So in the art school, have students been taking such studies as anatomy, perspective and drawing, all of which have to do with the scientific, external, and objective side of art, whose purpose is the gaining of a knowledge of form and the power of representing it, leaving the subjective, creative side, latent, uncherished and undeveloped.

But there is an awakening at hand. We are realizing that the harmonious development of the whole personality must be the keynote of our newer education, if the highest attainment of the race and consequently the highest art is to be subserved. An understanding educator says that education is the liberating and unfolding of a life principle from within and never a fashioning from without. Does not this remind us that our progress does not move along a straight line, for do not these very ideas that are new to the present but re-echo the old Greek ideals and also the words of the great Teacher, "The kingdom of heaven is within you?"

This evolution of the individual from within is perhaps the most fundamental thought in these principles of education. Mr. Dow says their aim is not so much success as power; power to appreciate, power to create. Something to say, said in the language of beauty.

Mr. Dow does not in any way underestimate the value of the study of drawing and its relative branches of science, but considers it neither the most important nor the most elementary part of art training. He would reverse the usual order of procedure and begin with the subjective, creative art and let the study of form wait upon a need for it.

We have always too little understood and valued this subjective element and have given its culture too meager a place in our training. There is also another very important part of art which has been given almost no consideration, and that is what Mr. Dow calls the language of beauty; it is the rhetoric, the poetic form of expression in pictorial and decorative art.

The presence of the subjective element and the use of this language of beauty raise a work of art from the plane of the commonplace to the plane of genius, their presence and use mark all the difference between a scientific definition and a poetic interpretation. All the difference between the dictionary idea of a star and Shelley's marvelously beautiful ode to the skylark; all the difference between the photograph of landscape and a word picture of it by Sydney Lanier or a painting by Carot.

This spark of heavenly fire, which by faith and conviction we know to be smoldering in every heart, may be fostered and made a living flame by means of an appreciative familiarity with the works of the masters, and by a loving friendship with the beauties of nature, humanity and environment, and by persistent efforts to create in the spirit of our lofty examples.

The above theories are materialized in a sequential course of experience, whose initial step is design, and this seems a most natural beginning, because art in the race began with simple decoration—the ornamented, elegant, ideal. The first expression is the including designs for surfaces, borders, or even spaces, which may be groups of lines,

flowers, landscape, animals, the human figure or any other natural forms.

In these first lessons much consideration is given to the idea of unity, for that is the function of line in a work of art; also to proportion, rhythm or repetition, and other kinds of composition which are based upon grouping and direction of line. Then, notan, or the beautiful arrangement of the dark and light masses in given attention, and its mission of contributing variety to decorative and pictorial composition is carefully studied. First, studies of simple black and white are made, then studies using intermediate values, always emphasizing the fact that beautiful dark and light composition are dependent upon good line.

Finally, color in all its subtlety of harmonies and contrasts is studied separately and in its relation to and interdependence with line and notan. The comprehensiveness and infinite variety of experience suggested in these principles of training make possible a broad culture and power that will contribute much to an appreciation of all the arts, for they are all the same at heart and make an excellent working basis for creative work in any of the space arts.

CHANGES ON THE ALTON.

Some changes are expected soon on the Alton. Denials are made of many of them but it is intimated that the operating department is to be reorganized. It is said one of the changes contemplated is the consolidation of the signal department with the maintenance of way. Another is that the maintenance of way will be directly under General Manager Goodnow instead of Chief Engineer Baldwin, thus leaving the latter and his forces with only the drafting of plans and specifications. Still a third change is the re-establishment of the third or middle division with headquarters as formerly in Springfield. It is said that a superintendent or an assistant superintendent will be appointed to have charge of operations south of Bloomington. If appointed he will devote his time to the coal fields and assist in more expeditious movement of coal trains. The coal field management is a job in itself without the entire south end. There are also rumors about change in the territory of the present force of trainmasters and some have it figured out that General Foreman A. McGregor of Brighton Park, will be given more authority and enlarged duties. The above, however, are but a fraction of the reports that are in circulation and everybody is asking his neighbor what the program will consist of. The officials keep on denying the correctness of the reports and there would be a joke on everybody if the first day of the year came without a single change being made.

AFTER COALING STATION.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Information has reached Washington to the effect Germany is making a quiet but determined effort to secure possession of a coaling station at St. Thomas, one of the Danish West Indian islands. The news comes in a manner that requires further confirmation before official notice can be taken of it.

THREE TRAINMEN KILLED.

Ashtabula, Ohio, Dec. 31.—A Lake Shore limited train east bound was derailed here today by an open switch, resulting in the death of three trainmen and injury of a fourth. No passengers were injured.

Jubilee, French Somoliland, Dec. 31.

The United States expedition to Abyssinia under Consul General Skinner has successfully carried out the principal features of the mission. The treaty between the United States and the empire of Ethiopia, opening for the first time friendly negotiations, has been negotiated and signed. As a personal tribute to President Roosevelt from Emperor Menelik Skinner has been charged to deliver to the president two lions and a pair of elephant tusks.

BRONCHITIS

Everybody Knows What It Is—

But Nobody Does Not Know

What Will Cure It—Lee P.

Allcott Tells the People of

Jacksonville.

Asked one day in his store the ques-

tion, "What is good for bronchitis?" Mr.

Allcott, our well known druggist, answered:

"The best way I can tell you is to ask

you to read this letter from Miss Anna

Ray, of Bangor, Me. We have lots of

such cases right here at home."

It reads as follows:

"For five years I was troubled with a

terrible cough and bronchitis. I tried a

great many different preparations without

getting relief. I could not sleep and I be-

came so weak I could hardly walk, and

coughing day and night. Then I took

Vinol. What a godsend that first bottle

was! I had not taken half of it before I

noticed a change for the better. I took

four bottles in all and am entirely cured

and in perfect health."

"Now I have been talking up Vinol to

the people of Jacksonville for a long

time," continued Mr. Allcott, "and I sup-

pose some people think I am crazy on the

subject, but really I hear such marvelous

results from Vinol all the time that I be-

A COURTSHIP SCHOOL

Traveling Institution Planned
by an Indiana Woman.

BRIDES OFFERED AS PRIZES.

Mrs. Julia E. Work, Head of an Orphan Asylum in Plymouth, Ind., to take flock of marriageable girls to Paris Where Wives Are a Cryin' Need.

A traveling school of courtship, by means of which orphan girls reared to womanhood in the institution which she conducts in Plymouth, Ind., may be provided with husbands, is the novel scheme which Mrs. Julia E. Work will put into execution next summer, says a Laporte (Ind.) dispatch to the Chicago Inter Ocean. Mrs. Work has already got the details of her new home making system planned. She is confident of its success.

For a number of years Mrs. Work has conducted a refuge for parentless boys and girls. The problem of providing for the boys when they reached an age when they could fend for themselves offered no difficulties of solution. But the problem of insuring the future of the grown up girls was one which Mrs. Work always found beset with the greatest difficulty. She has now under her care more than a score of girls who have reached a marriageable age, and it is to provide for these that she has struck upon the traveling school of courtship scheme.

Out in the most sparsely populated sections of the far west where women are at a premium and men in his isolation years for a helpmeet and comforter is where, she says, she will first open her novel school. Thither in the spring, when the poets say the heart is most prone to subjugation, she will make a pilgrimage with her flock of marriageable girls. When a suitor appears and makes his choice his worthiness will be put to the strongest tests. Should he come up to all Mrs. Work's requirements she will buy the license and pay the preacher, give the new bride a little dot and her blessing and transport her school to the scene of other conquests.

"The girls whom Mrs. Work will take with her into the west, she is determined, will be in every respect efficient home makers. The kitchen and the laundry were their school. And, Mrs. Work says, the men who get them will be lucky beyond their wildest dreams."

"This country is in need of wives who know the difference between biscuits and Battenberg," declared Mrs. Work. "Too many of our modern young women lack the knowledge of practical housekeeping, and I am going to see that none of my girls get married without knowing all that a modern housewife should."

"I am looking forward with the greatest interest to conducting my traveling school of courtship. I am sure it will be a success. Good wives are a crying need where I am going, and my object is to supply the demand so far as lies in my power."

A HISTORIC SACHEL.

Gift From Washington Being Exhibited by a Maine Antiquarian.

John L. Donohue, an antiquarian of Rockland, Me., is exhibiting to his friends a historical object of much interest in the form of the portmanteau presented to General Knox of Thomaston by George Washington, whose secretary of war he was, says a Bangor special to the New York Tribune. It is a commodious hand sewed leather satchel, about eighteen inches long, twelve inches wide and six inches deep, with lining of linen, and fitted interiorly with a double cover, which is fastened by a leather strap running through six brass staples, the outside covering fastening with straps, through buckles. In this General Knox was wont to carry part of the pay of the Continental army on his journeys to headquarters.

It was made in 1775 and was one of the most highly prized treasures of General Knox for the many associations connected with the gift and the giver. The portmanteau was after the death of General Knox in the possession of the family of Seth Gerry, a close friend of General Knox, who also lived in Thomaston and who purchased the Knox mansion at Montpelier.

Patent Leather Out of Fashion.

Patent leather has fallen into disfavor among men who have the means and inclination to follow the mode through all its whimsical windings, says the Haberdasher. The indiscriminate use of this leather for business boots and even for strictly negligee boots has vulgarized it to such a degree that it is now tabooed except for dancing pumps. In place of patent leather boots are worn oiled calfskin boots, which take a bright polish akin to that of patent leather. The leather is a peculiar grain, midway between enamel and calfskin, and while very smart looking, it hasn't the plebeian glitter of patent leather, which is just tasteful to many men. Really it is just calfskin subjected to a special process.

A Bacteriological College Yell.

The students of the dairy department of the University of California have adopted this yell:

Whole milk, skim milk, butter, milk cream!

Bacteriological phenomena (team) streptococcus, lactobacillus!

U. C. dairy boys, hooray!

New Work For Farmers.

A new occupation is opening for farmers in England. They station themselves near a public train and work in a machine which takes the dirt from the wheels of the train and converts it into a fine soil. The machine is called a "dirt machine" and is used by the farmers to improve their soil.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

We trust that the year now drawing to a close has brought you many joys, and we extend to you on this dawn of the new year, our best wishes for abundance of health, happiness and prosperity.

We hope to have the pleasure of meeting you many times during the coming year and extend to you an invitation to make yourself "at home" in our store. Our latch string will be out at all times and you will be most cordially welcomed.

Again wishing you the compliments of the season, we are
Yours very truly,

**BRADY BROS.
Hardware Co.**

HANNA'S JOKE ON WOOD.

Senator Delivered It Unintentionally at a Dinner of the Carabos.

The following joke on Senator Hanna was passed around through the senate the other day by persons attending the recent dinner given at Washington by the Military Order of the Carabos, says the New York Herald:

Senator Hanna was entertaining the members of the Republican national committee that night and could not get to the dinner until very late. John M. Thurston was delivering an address on the glories of the army and navy and concluded his speech by calling on Senator Hanna to make a few remarks. The calls for Senator Hanna were so insistent that he arose and told the Carabos that he was too tired to talk.

"If I had known Thurston was going to do such a stupid thing as this," he remarked, "I should have remained in my room and saved Wood."

Now, Wood is the question uppermost in the army mind. Instantly there was a great commotion around the table. Roars of explosive laughter filled the room, and the Carabos arose as one man and shouted:

"You're saving Wood all right, senator! How soon will the saw cut through?"

Senator Hanna looked dazed for a minute. Secretary of War Root smiled sardonically, and Senator Foraker, who is managing General Leonard Wood's case before the senate committee on military affairs, gazed upward at the ceiling.

"All right," said Senator Hanna when the hubbub had subsided, "if you want to take it that way you are welcome to do so."

LATEST COLONIAL SOCIETY.

Andrew Ward Association Composed of Connecticut Men's Descendants.

The latest colonial find which interests a section of fashionable society is the Andrew Ward association, composed exclusively of descendants of Andrew Ward, the Connecticut statesman, son of Sir Richard Gunville, and grandson of Sir Richard Gunville, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. Oliver De Lancey Ward, the first proprietor of Ward's Island, was a great-grandson of Andrew Ward.

The idea of forming this society originated with some relatives of Mrs. Bradley Martin, the Wards of Grove place, Rochester. Among the persons whose lineage makes them eligible for membership are George J. Gould, Oliver Gould Jennings, Mrs. Luther Kountze, De Lancey Kountze, Dr. C. W. de Lyon Nichols, Frederick H. Betts, L. F. Holbrook Betts, Morris K. Jesup, Dr. George Taylor Stewart, George Foster Peabody, Miss Helen M. Gould, Levi A. Ward, Henry G. Marquand, Allan Marquand, Stephen Whitney, Mrs. Charles H. Berryman, Mrs. Logillard Spencer, Barclay Ward and General Joseph Wheeler.

Banquet of Boar's Brains.

The brains of more than 500 hogs were recently served as the sole dish at the first annual banquet of the Pottstown (Pa.) Brain club. Members of the borough council, the chief burgess and all other borough officers together with many prominent manufacturers, business men and newspaper men, were the guests. There were trilled brains, boiled brains, roasted brains, brain salads and brains served in every style imaginable at this feast of intellects. To provide for the banquet the butchers at Keck's abattoir had saved the brains of a half thousand hogs.

SURE CURE FOR PILES.

Painful piles produce moisture and cause itching; this form, as well as hemorrhoids or protruding piles, are cured by Dr. Peck's Pile Remedy. Stop itching and bleeding, shrink tumors, absorb all inflammation, cure internal hemorrhoids, and make your piles disappear. Write for a free trial bottle. Dr. Peck's Pile Remedy is a sure cure for piles.

DR. HALE'S GENTLE FUN.

Joke Played by the Minister Who Has Been Chosen Senate Chaplain.

The following anecdote is related about Dr. Edward Everett Hale, the famous Unitarian minister of Boston, who has accepted the appointment of chaplain to the United States senate:

Several ministers a few years ago who were assembled at their weekly meeting place in Chicago were entertaining each other with jokes and stories on the brethren of the cloth, says the Chicago Chronicle. Each preacher had a yarn or two, and no denomination escaped a harmless and good humored shaft of wit. Many of the tales turned on some peculiar characteristic of the particular church at which it was leveled, which therefore made the points doubly enjoyable to the ministers of the other sects.

"I heard a little story the other day," said the pastor of a well known south side church. "I understand the incident occurred some time ago, but for some reason or other it seems it did not get out—at least not out west. The story concerns two eminent churchmen, one of the Unitarians and the other of the Episcopal church, Edward Everett Hale and Bishop Huntington of New York respectively. I believe at one time Bishop Huntington was a member of the Unitarian church, but afterward changed over to the Episcopalian flock. Bishop Huntington and Dr. Hale were old friends, and I believe they continued such after the conversion of the bishop. This story would certainly indicate as much anyway."

"You know the Episcopalians have a lot of saints assigned to the various days in the year. When an Episcopalian minister writes a letter on any day for which there is a saint he always writes the name of the saint at the close of the letter instead of the date. Bishop Huntington learned all of these things quickly and began to practice them at once. The first time he had occasion to write to his old friend Dr. Hale after joining the church he used the regulation method of closing his letter, placing 'St. Michael's day' after his signature. A reply from the doctor came, and after his name he had written in a full, round hand 'Wash day.'"

FAITH AND FACT.

Faith is one thing and fact is another. It sometimes takes any amount of faith to produce one fact. Years of earnest work and faith have produced one fact about medicine that is deserving of mention here. If people who are troubled with general weakness through overwork, dissipation or exposure can get a remedy that will make rich red blood from the food they eat, their return to health is assured. Good blood is the life of the body as well as the nerves. Weak, sickly, pale people who suffer with indigestion, dyspepsia, sick head ache, loss of strength and ambition, having dizzy spells and always tired, can be cured sound and well with Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic. Sold by druggists for 75c per box, or three boxes for \$2. This tonic acts in a common sense way, curing disease by giving strength to resist it. Lee P. Allcott, druggist.

FOR OVER SIXTY YEARS.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25 cents per bottle.

REPORT FROM THE REFORM SCHOOL.

J. G. Gluck, superintendent, Pottstown, W. Va., writes: "After trying all other advertised cough medicines we have decided to use Foley's Honey and Tar exclusively in the West Virginia Reform School. I find it the best cough and absolutely harmless."—J. G. Gluck, superintendent, Pottstown, W. Va.

Coasting.

I like to watch a crowd of boys go all down a hill, For then within my memory awake I tender thrill Of a time back in the winter of the year so long ago, When us fellows used to watch and give a sort of hop, And when at last a morning came ground all covered white From a ripping, roaring blizzard that struck us in the night. Then the tinkling of the sleigh bells one bounding out of bed For the glorious fun of coasting "bumpo" on a sled.

If you were once a boy yourself, just ting in your teens, No doubt you'll fully understand "belly-bumpo" means. You take hold of the sled rope and give a sort of hop, Then down upon your racer you throw yourself kerflop. And as for the position—well, of course you don't mind. A-lying on his stomach with his head stuck out behind. But should you averse out from the sled and strike an icy lump You will find it jars a fellow when coasting "belly-bump."

And often when the sport was done at went home at night, To do full justice to a big inflated bag. And with the evening ended sneak away off to my bed. The thought of that day's sliding was so pumping through my head, So that in my sleep I used to sometimes whoop a bit and shout. Which brought my mother up to see what it was all about. And then in explanation I have rubbed my eyes and said, "I—I dreamt that—I was coasting—'belly-bumpo' on my sled."

Well, that was years and years ago, yet I see today That boys still do their sliding in good, old fashioned way. And when I hear their joyous shouts see their cheeks aglow I think of all the little chaps that I used to know. And a flood of tender memories creep on me till I, as a little fellow, climb that old England hill. And stand mid old time comrades more, a boy who led In the grand old sport of coasting "bumpo" on a sled. —Dan W. Gallagher in Boston C.

BETTER THAN A PLASTER.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and applied to the affected parts, is better plaster for a lame back and for the side or chest. Pain is no superior as a liniment for relief of deep seated rheumatic pains. For druggists.

Good People.

That's why know a good one are buying "Ideal." "Ideal" is the most complete and complex "Ideal" ever. It's "Ideal" through and through with it easily. People of all ages will find it will help us. We have a bundle.

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GOING NORTH.	
St. L., daily	7:50 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	4:00 pm
St. L., accommodation freight	11:06 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	6:00 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	1:12 pm
St. L., ex. Sunday	5:48 pm
St. L., ex. Sunday	2:58 am
GOING SOUTH.	
St. L., daily	7:05 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	3:30 pm
St. L., ex. Sunday	10:06 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	5:48 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	7:30 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	4:06 pm
St. L., ex. Sunday	5:32 pm
GOING EAST.	
Hannibal, Quincy and Kansas	7:04 am
Hannibal, Quincy and Kansas	6:59 pm
St. L., ex. Sunday	10:10 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	1:43 pm
GOING WEST.	
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Hannibal, Quincy and Kansas	6:59 pm
St. L., ex. Sunday	10:10 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	1:43 pm
GOING SOUTH.	
St. L., daily	11:06 am
St. L., ex. Sunday	6:55 pm
St. L., ex. Sunday	8:46 am
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City and County

A. W. Becker is in Chicago on business interest.

John Stanley, of Concord, was here on business yesterday.

Hale, hickory wood; oak wood.

Carl Richards has returned from a Springfield visit.

Good goods at a low price is our motto. Zell's grocery.

Larkin Smith, of Arenzville, spent yesterday here on business.

James Faschnit, of Whithall, was here on business Thursday.

Crushed oyster shells will make the hens lay eggs. BROOK MILL.

George W. Dye is in Chicago on business interests.

Joseph Kilian is spending a week in St. Louis on business.

Mrs. A. M. Bunce has gone to Merritt to spend a few days.

Crushed oyster shells for poultry at BROOK MILL.

Joseph Meane, of Literberry, was here on business Thursday.

Mrs. Mann, of Virginia, was shopping in the city yesterday.

Order WHITE LILY FLOUR of your grocer. It will please you.

Robert True, of Prentice, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Mrs. McCormick, of Waverly, was a shopping visitor in the city.

Hale, phones 74; Athens coal.

Patrick Morley, of Alexander, was in Jacksonville trading Thursday.

Mrs. Hattie Jenkinson has gone to Columbus, Ohio, to visit friends.

Hay, corn, oats and all kinds of feed at BROOK MILL; phones 240.

Patrick Ryan, of Franklin, spent Thursday in the city on business.

Begin the new year right; trade with Zell, the East State grocer.

Henry Oakes, of Bluffs, spent Thursday in the city on business.

Jacob Strawn, of Sinclair, was in the city on business yesterday.

John Berry, of Literberry, spent Thursday in the city on business.

James Beckman, of Pisgah, spent Thursday in the city on business.

Miss Emma Happy is visiting friends in Chicago for a few days.

Edward Loneragan, of Clay avenue, is visiting friends near Roodhouse.

Start the new year right by placing an order for cake or ice cream at Vickery & Merrigan's.

W. W. Crowe is able to be out, after a severe attack of rheumatism.

William Smith, of Concord, transacted business in the city Thursday.

H. F. Trotter, of Sinclair, transacted business in the city yesterday.

Corn, oats, hay and straw in any quantity. Harrigan Bros., No. 9, either phone.

Thomas H. Knoles went to Indianapolis Thursday on business interests.

Oscar Petefish, of Arcadia, was in the city on business interests Thursday.

Everything to make your New Year's dinner complete at Vickery & Merrigan's.

David Yeager, of Franklin, was in the city transacting business yesterday.

Rev. J. W. Battenfield and wife, of Ipava, were Thursday visitors in the city.

Miss Nellie Clerihan, of Woodson, spent Thursday with friends in Orleans.

Frank Weigerjoist, of Pisgah, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Miss Helen Ward will leave Monday for Washington, D. C., to attend school.

Mrs. Charles Stewart, of Versailles, was a Thursday visitor in the city.

Mrs. J. J. Rhoe and daughter, of Roodhouse, were visitors in the city yesterday.

L. O. Berryman and daughter, of

Franklin, were visitors in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Elliot, of Virginia, spent Thursday in the city on business.

First annual ball of Bricklayers' and Plasterers' union No. 5, to night at Piepenbring's hall, S. Main St.

Miss Frances Hatch has returned from a visit with Miss Gussie Kirby in Springfield.

Mrs. William Goff and daughter, of Ashland, were Thursday visitors in the city.

Henry Higgins, of Winchester, spent yesterday in the city on business.

George Fox has returned from a holiday visit with his family in Kerkville.

Miss Anna Shepley, of Murrayville, was in the city to consult Dr. A. L. Adams Thursday.

John Donohue and Margaret Donohue, of Franklin, were Thursday visitors in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lancaster, of Chandlerville, spent Thursday in the city on business interests.

Your attention is called to the ad space of the enterprising grocer, J. H. Zell.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Merton, are visiting Edward Barrows near Pisgah for a few days.

First annual ball of Bricklayers' and Plasterers' union No. 5, to night at Piepenbring's hall, S. Main St.

Miss Alice Loneragan and Miss Mamie Flynn went to Murrayville Thursday to attend a dance.

Zell, the East State grocer, can not or will not be undersold. Try him for your groceries for 1904.

"THE ALTON'S" "COWBOY GIRL" art calendar on sale at C. & A. depot for 25 cents. Four graceful poses from life.

Julian Hall, of Peoria, spent Thursday in the city on his way to Virden to visit at the home of his wife's parents.

Mrs. Albert Metcalf, of Kewanee, who has been visiting her parents and Mrs. J. R. Harker returned home Thursday.

Benjamin De Silva, who is now located in Texas, is visiting at the home of his parents on West Lafayette avenue.

First annual ball of Bricklayers' and Plasterers' union No. 5, to night at Piepenbring's hall, South Main street.

Mrs. Louise Short went to Springfield last night to attend the military ball to night. Mrs. Short will be the guest of Mrs. Yates.

Miss Mamie Flynn, Nellie Clerihan and Alice Loneragan will spend New Year's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Loneragan, east of Murrayville.

Sheriff Potter, of Peoria, brought a patient to Central hospital Thursday. He reports four citizens of Peoria lost their lives in the Iroquois theatre fire.

Mrs. Jacob Strawn, of Sinclair and Mrs. William Luken, of Orleans, left Thursday for Albuquerque, New Mexico, called there by the illness of a relative.

Seth H. Tilden, who has been a travelling representative during the past year of the Rand-McNally book firm, of Chicago, with his territory in Southern Illinois, has been offered the position of state agent for that firm. Not wishing to take up the responsibility of the new office, the offer was declined. He will, however, remain with that firm the coming year, having been given the privilege of selecting his own territory.

Rev. G. E. Scoringer has just returned from Atterbury, where he has been assisting the pastor, Rev. G. A. Murray, in revival services. He reports that powerful meetings are in progress and the spirit of the revival is taking a firm hold on the community. Nineteen persons have professed conversion, while a remarkable feature of the attendance is that the men far outnumber the women. The young men and heads of families are being reached.

AFTERNOON PARTY

Miss Elizabeth Layman very delightfully entertained a small company at her home on West College avenue Thursday afternoon in honor of her guests, Misses Nanette Payne and Madeline Babcock, of Springfield. It was a "Mother Goose" party and the arrangements were made very entertaining for all. The pictures from the "Mother Goose" book were handed around and then the guessing of what rhyme went with each afforded much amusement. The first prize was won by Miss Nanette Payne and the consolation prize was given Miss Hazel Bell Long. The serving of refreshments added much to the enjoyment of the occasion. Those present were: Misses Helen Lambert, Katie Greenleaf, Claribel Hopper, Kathleen Easter, Estelle Cline, Marie Leck, Bessie Newman, Ruth Elliot, Hazel Bell Long, Mary Maude Brown, Mattie Capps, Bessie Reeve, Eunice Hopper, Hazel Brown, Helen Calen, Louise Smith, Ruth Fairbank, Kathryn Harlow, Nellie Singleton, Eugenia York and Lucia Lippincott.

1904.

On the threshold of the new year we wish to extend our greeting to the many friends who have contributed to make our short sojourn in 1903 a pleasant and profitable one to us. The success of 1903 is an added incentive to make 1904 a still more prosperous year—a year of increased business and everwidening friendships.

We assure you of our effort to give you a better drug store service than ever before.

We thank you for many evidences of confidence and good will, and wish you a very happy New Year.

Armstrong & Armstrong, Druggist, Southwest corner square.

PROBATE COURT.

Estate of Henry Cockings, deceased. Appraisement bill and widows award of \$820, approved. Inventory and co-partnership appraisement, approved.

Guardianship of Joseph McCarty, minor child of J. D. McCarty, Edward Keating guardian. Report approved.

NEW YEARS GREETING.

I wish to extend to the public and to my customers in particular, a happy new year and my best wishes for your prosperity during the coming year. I wish to thank my customers for their liberal patronage during the past year, and as I will still continue business at the old stand, you will find me ever ready to give you the best service in roofing and all tin work.

George W. Fox.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual election of the stockholders of the Jacksonville National bank will be held at their banking office, Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1904, for the purpose of electing nine directors to serve for the term of one year. Polls open at 10 a. m. and close at 12 noon. J. R. Robertson, Cashier.

WEDDING ANNOUNCED.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scott have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Anna Scott, to Mr. Joseph E. Fish. The ceremony will take place Thursday evening, Jan. 14, at 8 o'clock, at the Scott home, 800 East College avenue.

A FINE SPECIMEN.

F. L. Sharpe was exhibiting a fine specimen of a mounted wood duck, which he shot last October on the Moscow Bay game preserve. The bird was mounted by T. P. Carter and the work has been very skillfully done. It is a little above the average size and has a most gorgeous plumage. It is a trophy of which the owner may well be proud.

MEETING POSTPONED.

It has been deemed advisable to postpone the meeting of the Domestic Science Round Table on account of the holiday season so there will be no meeting Saturday.

NOTICE.

The office of the Jacksonville Gas Light & Coke Co. will be closed all day to day.

Don't forget the matinee at the Grand on Saturday. The Great Barlow Minstrels with Dan S. Holt, "The Georgia Cotton Blossom" from Macon, Ga., Edward C. Hayes, Giles Buttons, Walter Wolfe (Basso) John Walsh, (Baritone) Jos. McAnallan (The Irish Tenor) Varin & Turinnee, Roman Axemen, Daly Strong & Chaney, singing and dancing comedians. The Famous Gloss Bros., Gladiatorial and Roman Bar posturing art sts, Holt and Hayes, musical comedians. Her Burke & McDonald in a pantomime and acrobatic absurdity entitled "The Clown's Droubles." The Vicksburg Herald says: "The peer of any Minstrel attraction seen in Vicksburg this season." Seats: Matinee, 15c, 25c. Night, 25c, 35c, 50c.

BRANOUS GROUP.

C. W. Lynch, a prominent citizen of Winchester, Ind., writes: "My little boy had a severe attack of membranous group and only got relief after taking Foley's Honey and Tar. He got relief after the dose and I feel that it saved the life of the boy."

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We sacrifice these remnant lots to make room for our spring goods, the cost not considered, as their room is worth more to us. Come early, for now is the time you can make a good beginning for the new year by buying with the greatest economy. The large reductions mean goods in every department of the house.

Cash

W. L. ALEXANDER & CO.
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MARRIED AT HOT SPRINGS.

Hot Springs Sentinel-Record: To day just after the benediction of the morning services at the First Presbyterian church Mr. Lee Morrison and Miss Mena Brantzel will be united in marriage by Rev. French Thompson, pastor of the church. In the afternoon they will leave for St. Louis and the old home of both parties in Illinois, where they will spend their honeymoon. After a visit to the parents of each they will return to this city which they will make their future home.

Mr. Lee Morrison, the groom-to-be is one of the attaches of Duff's department store, where he is in charge of the clothing department. He has been in the city for just a year, but during the time has won and made a host of friends who wish for him and his bride a pleasant and prosperous voyage on the matrimonial sea. Miss Bentzel, the bride-to-be, has not been in the city as long as Mr. Morrison, but her charming personality and pleasing address has won for her a circle of friends of whom she may justly feel proud. The Sentinel-Record joins with their many friends in wishing this happy couple a long and happy wedded life.

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Ayers National bank, Jacksonville, Illinois, for the election of directors, will be held at its banking house on Jan. 12, 1904, between the hours of 10 and 4 of said day.

C. G. Rutledge, Cashier.

JANUARY 1, 1904.

The postoffice will close at 10 o'clock a. m. and remain closed until 8:30 p. m.

The usual morning collection and delivery will be made, also the evening collection. All mail dropped in the box at the office during the day will be despatched same as any other day.

Rural mail service will be performed on all the routes out of the office.

E. C. Kreider, P. M.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER.

E. Melton to J. O. Parker, lot 23, old plot, Lynnville; \$155.

A. Sheppard to N. Phillips, lots in Murrayville; \$1,300.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to most sincerely thank all neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted during the illness and after the death of our little son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Waterfield.

NOTICE.

A glass or two of water taken half an hour before breakfast will usually keep the bowels regular. Harsh cathartics should be avoided. When a purgative is needed, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are mild and gentle in their action. For sale by all druggists.

UNIVERSAL PRAISE.

When a retail druggist who sells any different kind of cough medicines gives his endorsement to any particular kind it is certainly strongest evidence that the one so favored has more than ordinary merit. Mr. W. L. Seymour, an enterprising and reliable druggist of Raymond, Ill., in a letter to the manufacturers, dated July 23, 1902, says: "I took the agency for the sale of Hart's Honey and Horehound and Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup about one year ago, have had a good sale for them and they are very popular. For sale by Lee P. Alcott."

Mr. H. Niemeyer, the leading druggist at Stockton, Ill., in a letter dated Jan. 17, 1903, says: "Your Hart's Honey and Horehound gives good satisfaction. Hart's Honey and Horehound is a certain cure for Coughs, Croup, La Grippe, and all throat and

Hillerby, Vickery & Brady

We Wish All Our Friends

A Happy New Year

We appreciate the liberal patronage of the past year and ask for a continuance of the same.

Hillerby, Vickery & Brady

South Side Square.



JEFFRIES LITTLE BAND.

Jeffries Little band gave a concert in Conservatory hall Thursday afternoon that was largely attended and that reflected great credit upon the young musicians and their efficient director. The band was organized Jan. 29, 1900, and the membership numbers thirty-five. Several of the older members of the band are being graduated into the Jeffries' concert organization and a new class is now being organized by Mr. Jeffries. The program was an excellent one and a delighted audience left the hall at its conclusion. The program was as follows:

March—"Our Boys and Girls," (Kaiser).
Selection—"Hoity Toity," (Stromberg).
(a)—"Sambo's Birthday" (a rag). (Hazel).
(b)—"Mary and the Lamb" (pathetic ballad).
Intermezzo—"Loving Mary" (Kohlman).
Characteristic—"Beadelia," (Schwart).
March—"The Dashing Cavalier," (Lamendean).

LICENSED TO MARRY.

Arthur Smith, Jacksonville; Emma German, Jacksonville.
Leslie A. Hill, Literberry; Bertha Prescott, Jacksonville.
Edward Dobson, Murrayville; Martha Angelo, Lynnville.
J. L. Whittaker, St. Louis; Maud Cassel, Jacksonville.
John C. Robison, Concord; Mary Nickle, Concord.
Samuel Moss, Jacksonville; Miss Katie Thornton, Jacksonville.
Thomas P. Kirkman, Winchester; Emma Werner, Merritt.

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- Good prunes, lb. \$.05
- 2-lb. can choice pumpkin \$.05
- 2-lb. can beans or blackberries \$.05
- 2-lb. can asparagus \$.05
- 2-lb. can stringless beans \$.10
- 2-lb. cans baked pork and beans to-
mato sauce \$.10
- 2-lb. cans early June peas \$.25
- 2-lb. cans Sweet Wrinkled peas \$.25
- 1-lb. seedless raisins \$.25
- 2-lb. cans tomatoes 2c, 12 cans for \$.55
- 1 gal. strained pumpkin \$.30
- 1 gal. can peach butter \$.25
- 1 gal. can pure maple syrup \$.10
- 1 quart pure maple syrup \$.25
- English walnuts and soft shell al-
monds, lb. \$.20
- Fancy mixed nuts (all new), lb. \$.20
- New pecans, dates and figs \$.20
- Fancy cluster raisins, lb. \$.10
- Get the best. Chambers' keeps and sells
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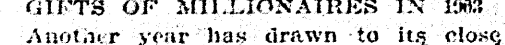
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GIFTS OF MILLIONAIRES IN 1903

Another year has drawn to its close
and the millionaire philanthropists have
ended their annual effort to give away
their earnings and diminish their principal.
Mr. Carnegie is the most conspicu-
ous figure in the group, not only because
he gives far more than any other but be-
cause he is the one who discovered that
it would be a disgrace to die rich, and
this set the others to thinking. The lib-
rary is still a hobby with him and this year
he has given \$5,555,000 for library build-
ings in ninety-six cities and towns in
this country. He began giving away
libraries in 1900. Since that time he has
given 323 in the United States, at a cost
of \$21,725,000. In addition to these he has
given this year \$350,000 for a library in
Toronto, \$100,000 for libraries in England
and \$125,000 for a library in Barbados.
He has given to colleges and other insti-
tutions in this country and abroad \$1,357,-
000; to churches, \$1,550,000; to The Hague
court of arbitration, \$1,750,000; for scien-
tific research in Scotland, \$5,000,000; for
phonetic reform, \$10,000; for the New
York botanical garden, \$2,000; to the town
of Dumfries, Scotland, \$2,500,000; to the
New York Engineers' Union home, \$1,000,000; for a pension fund for disabled
workmen in the Carnegie steel works,
\$4,000,000. This makes a total of \$25,321,-
500. He has not touched his principal. He
has been giving away his year's income
which in round numbers is \$28,000,000. He
must give away \$50 every minute to dis-
pose of his income alone. Then think of
this huge principal!

It would be rash to say that Mr. J. D.
Rockefeller, Sr., is haunted with fears of
disgrace if he should be found dying with
money in his coffers. His income, probably
larger than Mr. Carnegie's, yet, while
the latter has given away \$25,321,500, Mr.
Rockefeller has given away but \$3,044,-
587, and more than one-half of this to the
University of Chicago. His other do-
nations include \$173,500 to religious bodies,
\$282,000 to colleges and \$66,600 to the Ne-
braska state university, which that insti-
tution finally declined to accept on high
moral ground, notwithstanding the tempt-
ing array of sixes and \$30,000 to charity.

Dr. Henry Phipps, another philanthropic
millionaire, has given away \$1,855,653, of
which \$1,500,000 is for a noble purpose, a
free hospital for consumptives. Dr. K.
K. Parsons has kept his "lever" pretty
busy at work, but he has only given \$300,-
000 to five little colleges and \$50,000 to
charity. The doctor, however, may make
a better record in 1904, for he has over
\$300,000 of pledges to clear up in June,
and after that he proposes to start in
fresh, for he is determined that when he
goes there will be none of his money
left for any one to scramble over. And
what has J. Pierpont Morgan given?
Just \$100,000 to the American Archaeolog-
ical school in Rome, whose dozen or so
pupils are watching the forum excavations.

These five men, who are the principal
millionaire philanthropists, combined
have given away about \$1,000,000 during
the year. As they are elderly men and
life is uncertain and time is short, they
must expedite their benefactions if they
do not intend to make their exit until
they have given back all they have re-
ceived. And yet their \$1,000,000 will do
great good in many ways.

LAKE McDONALD PARTY.

Mr. and L. O. Vaught entertained
a unique company Thursday evening
at their hospitable home on Grove
street. The guests were all persons
who had visited the Lake McDonald
region in northwestern Montana. A
resort that has become unusually
popular with Jacksonville summer
visitors and tourists. A large num-
ber of views have been obtained by
various members of the company who
had visited this picturesque spot and
these were exhibited upon a screen
by means of a magic lantern operated
by Dr. W. W. Schermerhorn. Some
splendid views were shown and Dr.
Schermerhorn and L. O. Vaught,
who explored the rugged
peaks and cliffs of the region as ex-
tensively as any one, gave an inter-
esting description of the pictures.
The natural scenery that surrounds
Lake McDonald beggars description
and some who have visited the Alps
say that even the grandeur there is
not excelled.

After the views had been shown a
delightful social hour was enjoyed
and delicious refreshments were
served by the hostess. Those present
were: Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Kirby, Mr.
and Mrs. H. F. Garfield, Mr. and Mrs.
C. H. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Duor,
Miss Anna Duer, Mr. and Mrs. W. A.
Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. Cloary, F. W.
Sawford, Mrs. B. H. Upham, Miss
Mary Upham, Mr. and Mrs. John I.
Chambers, Dr. Josephine Milligan,
Dr. Grace Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. L.
S. Donald, Mrs. Florence Bunker, Mr.
and Mrs. W. W. Schermerhorn, Mr.
and Mrs. J. W. Schermerhorn, Mr.
and Mrs. J. W. Schermerhorn, Mr.
and Mrs. J. W. Schermerhorn.

POULTRY SHOW

Premiums Awarded—Finest Ex-
hibition Held by Local Asso-
ciation—Large Display.

The premiums were awarded at
the poultry show Thursday and the
judge was the veteran D. T. Heim-
lich, whose reputation is not con-
fined to local bounds.

The exhibition of birds is one of
the largest held in recent years and
300 of the feathered tribe look out
from their white pens on the admir-
ing visitors. While the foreign ex-
hibit is not large, there is an increase
on the part of local poultry raisers,
which indicates an increasing inter-
est that it is the purpose of the as-
sociation to foster. The attendance
has been good and the show will not
close until Saturday night. The
largest entry was in the Barred Rock
class, the second largest in the
Wyandotte class and the third largest
in the Buff Rock class. Premiums
were awarded as follows:

Barred Plymouth Rocks: Cock—1st, F.
H. Thies; 2d, J. DeCastro; 3d, Ortel &
Page, Kane. Hen—1st, F. H. Thies; 2d
and 3d, Elmer Fitzsimmons. Cockerel—
1st, J. DeCastro; 2d, M. L. Edson; 3d, F.
H. Thies. Pullet—1st and 2d, F. H. Thies;
3d, J. DeCastro. Breeding pen—1st, J. De-
Castro; 2d, F. H. Thies; 3d, M. L. Edson.
White Wyandottes: Cock—1st, T. P.
Carter; 2d, Mrs. Lambert Hastings; 3d,
T. P. Carter. Hen—1st and 2d, T. P. Car-
ter; 3d, Mrs. Lambert Hastings. Cockerel—
1st, T. P. Carter; 2d, Justin A. Biggs,
Jr.; 3d, Mrs. Lambert Hastings. Pullet—
1st and 2d, Mrs. Lambert Hastings; 3d, T. P.
Carter. Breeding pen—1st and 2d, T. P.
Carter; 3d, J. A. Biggs, Jr.
Silver-Laced Wyandottes: Cock—1st, J.
W. Boyer, Orleans. Cockerel—1st, J. W.
Boyer, Orleans. Pullet—1st, 2d and 3d,
J. W. Boyer, Orleans. Breeding pen—J.
W. Boyer, Orleans.

Light Brahmas: Cock—1st, J. O. Ken-
nedy; 2d, T. E. Laurie. Hen—1st and 2d,
T. E. Laurie; 3d, J. O. Kennedy. Cockerel—
1st, J. O. Kennedy; 2d and 3d, T. E.
Laurie. Pullet—1st, J. O. Kennedy. Breed-
ing pen—1st, J. O. Kennedy; 2d, T. E.
Laurie.

Buff Plymouth Rocks: Cock—1st, Will
J. Moore; 2d, Charles Hess. Hen—1st,
Henry J. Hammond; 2d and 3d, Will J.
Moore. Cockerel—1st, Charles Hess; 2d,
Will J. Moore; 3d, H. J. Hammond. Pullet—
1st and 2d, W. J. Moore; 3d, Charles
Hess. Breeding pen—1st and 2d, W. J.
Moore; 3d, H. J. Hammond.

White Plymouth Rocks: Cock—1st, F.
H. Thomas; 2d, F. R. Morgan; 3d, Thor-
nton Sheppard. Hen—1st, Ortel & Page,
Kane; 2d and 3d, F. R. Morgan. Cockerel—
1st, F. H. Thomas; 2d, Ortel & Page,
Kane; 3d, M. R. Blodgett, Franklin.
Pullet—1st and 2d, Ortel & Page, Kane;
3d, F. H. Thomas. Breeding pen—1st, F.
H. Thomas; 2d, F. R. Morgan.

S. C. White Leghorns: All prizes were
awarded to Thornton Sheppard.
Buff Cochins Bantams: Hen—1st and 2d,
Alvin Edson. Cockerel—1st, Alvin Edson.
S. C. Brown Leghorns: Cockerel—1st
and 2d, Sampson Dye; 3d, Charles L.
Evans, Palmer, Ill. Pullet—1st, Charles
L. Evans, Palmer, Ill.; 2d and 3d, Sampson
Dye. Breeding pen—1st, Sampson Dye.

R. C. Brown Leghorns: All prizes were
awarded C. S. Norton.
Black Langshans: Cock—1st, C. S. Nor-
ton; 2d, Mrs. M. L. Hills, Franklin. Hen—
1st and 2d, C. S. Norton; 3d, W. J. Con-
lee, Pisgah. Cockerel—1st, 2d and 3d, C. S.
Norton. Pullet—1st and 2d, C. S. Norton;
3d, C. S. Norton; 4d, W. P. Conlee, Pis-
gah. W. P. Conlee, Pisgah. Breeding pen—
Mrs. Dan May.

Partridge Cochins: All prizes were
awarded Olinger Bros., Franklin.
B. E. R. G. Bantams: Hen—1st, Charles
Hess. Cockerel—1st, E. G. Sibley; 2d,
Charles Hess. Pullet—1st and 2d, E. G.
Sibley; 3d, Charles Hess.

AT THE GRAND.

"A night on Broadway" was staged
last night at the Grand by the
well known comedians Murray and
Mack. The house was well filled and
the audience was highly appreciative.
The play is a musical comedy of three
acts, replete in catchy music and
sprightly lines. Charles Murray and
Ollie Mack have appeared several times
in the local theater and seem with each
appearance to grow in popularity. In
the performance last evening they
fully sustained their former good
reputation.

Bobby North, as Sol M. Guyer, por-
traying the Jewish character and
Miss Kittie Beck in the role of
Gladys Reich, were enthusiastically re-
ceived.

A feature was the "Confetti
March" at the end of the first act,
in which the stage and actors were
covered with serpentine paper.

JUSTICE COURTS.

In 'Equire Arenz' court Edward
Powers was arraigned, charged with
assaulting Frank Painter. Powers
was under the influence of liquor
and created a great disturbance in the
court room. He abused 'Equire
Arenz, Chief Dunavan and Policeman
Deatherage, and friendly force had
to be used in quieting him. In view of
this conduct 'Equire Arenz assessed
a fine of \$20 and costs. Later, how-
ever, Powers sobered up to some ex-
tent and made profound apologies to
the court and the officers for his con-
duct. For this reason \$10 of his fine
was remitted.

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CHURCH SERVICES

At the Portuguese church last night an
illustrated lecture on "Jerusalem" was
given by Captain Hayden, of Springfield,
and it proved highly entertaining. After-
ward there was a profitable watch night
service by Rev. R. F. Cressey.

At the union service held at the Congre-
gational church a hundred people were in
the audience most of the time and the
hours from 8 until 12 o'clock were very
profitably spent. Dr. R. O. Post led the
first hour; Dr. C. M. Brown the second;
Everett Martin and C. M. Eames the
third, and Dr. A. B. Morey the fourth.

The watch service at Centenary church
was well attended and was of great in-
terest and profit. Rev. A. L. T. Ewert
had general charge and short services
were given by Messrs. Gunderson, Mar-
tin and Arthur Ewert. Just before the
close of the service all present joined
hands and sang "Blest be the tie that
binds." The benediction was pronounced
by Rev. George Scrimger.

Turkey and other good things
for dinner today at the Conserva-
tory Restaurant, B. F. Wooster.

FUNERAL NOTICES.

The funeral of Mrs. Jessie Huff
will take place at the residence of
her father, Rev. H. H. Oncal, at
3 o'clock this afternoon. Friends
of the family are invited
to attend. Interment will be made
at Glenwood, Iowa, the old home of
the family.

The funeral of Mrs. Josephine
Lomelino will take place this after-
noon at 2 o'clock, at the Portuguese
Presbyterian church. The services
will be in charge of Rev. R. F.
Cressey.

The funeral of Robert Smith will
be held to day, at 10 a. m., from the
residence and later from Asbury
church, where services will be held
at 11:30.

The funeral of the late Mrs.
Mounts will be held Saturday after-
noon at 2 o'clock at Mt. Emory
church.

THE BIRTH RECORD.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Berry,
of Franklin, a son.

The Ideal Man.

"The Ideal Man" was toasted at
a dinner of federated women in St.
Paul the other day. "The federated
woman" who responded to the toast
said: "Man is the paragon of ani-
mals. On his own ground he sur-
passes the lion in magnanimity, the
fox in acumen, the parrot in repa-
re, the monkey in versatility, the
ant in thrift, the fish in self con-
trol, the spider in all that goes to
make up a valued member of soci-
ety. I dare say that, if all the facts
were known, man is more of an ab-
solute success than the mule!"

How Old Is This Bull?

An evening paper stated last week
that some years ago "a Tory ora-
tor," attacking a speech of Mr.
Chamberlain's, "repelled the allega-
tion and scorned the alligator." This
slip was really made some sev-
enty years ago in the house of com-
mons by Joseph Hume. There is
something marvelous in the effron-
tery with which venerable anecdotes
are now raked up and presented to
the credulous public with a new
dressing.—London Truth.

Full of Glory.

William Dean Howells, the "dean
of American letters," says that when
his talented daughter Mildred was
a child she looked up suddenly from
her breakfast one bright morning
and said:

"Father, I am full of glory."

"What do you mean?" said Mr.
Howells.

"Why," said the little girl, "a sun-
beam just got on my spoon, and I
have swallowed it."

Follies of the Wise.

John Morley threatens to use his
recovered leisure "to show the blun-
ders and the follies into which able
and clear headed men have fallen
upon the greatest subjects." This
savoring of a new book, the Lon-
don Chronicle remarks that "The
Follies of the Wise" ought to make
good reading.

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and I am able to do my work as usual.

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REMOVING THE STOMACH.

At a meeting of medical men in
Vienna the other day Dr. Ullman
presented a woman of sixty-two
years whose entire stomach had been
removed in an operation for cancer.
Nevertheless she digests all her food
and has gained weight since the op-
eration. The doctor stated that the
operation of removing the stomach
had now been successfully performed
over twenty times. The stom-
ach really plays only a small part in
the complex act of digestion, its
principal use being that of a reser-
voir; hence it is that without this
organ meals have to be taken incon-
veniently often and unusually small.
There are several little organs of
complex chemical function far more
indispensable than the stomach,
which are seldom heard of. We
could not exist, for instance, with-
out the suprarenal capsules and the
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You will not see such Cloak bargains again soon. On
commencing Monday morning.

William

City and County

Hale; 'phones 74; coal and wood. Miss Mabel Turley, of Franklin, is visiting friends here.

William Mather Lewis is here from Chicago for a visit with friends. George K. Moore has gone to Chicago for a short visit.

First annual ball of Bricklayers' and Plasterers' union No. 5, to night at Piepenbring's hall, S. Main St.

Misses Bertha McHenry and Rose Anderson will spend to day in Woodson.

Mrs. C. M. Scott and son have returned to their home in Tallula, after a visit with relatives in Jacksonville.

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E. E. Baxington, Phelps & Osborne and L. Franks are among the firms now busy with invoicing.

Miss Elizabeth Anhalt has returned from Springfield, where she has been attending the Teacher's association.

Miss Bessie Kuechler, of Springfield, is visiting Miss Mary Wadsworth.

Thomas Gibbons has returned to his home in St. Louis, after a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Julia Gibbons and family.

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Miss Margaret Byrns will go to Havana to day to spend New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McCune.

B. F. Wright, of Des Moines, has returned home after a short visit at the home his sisters, Mrs. J. L. Heaton and Mrs. Bart Smith.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary society, of the Centenary church, which was to have met with Mrs. Smith, Jan. 1, will not meet until Jan. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Thompson, of Macomb, are expected in the city to day, and while here will be the guests of Mrs. Mary E. Johnston in Lockwood Place.

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J. F. McCollough, of Chicago, is in the city for a brief visit with his brother-in-law, Dr. J. R. Harker. Mr. McCollough is now at the head of a successful teachers' agency, which he established a few years since.

Miss Clara Finlay will leave to day for Baton Rouge, La., to take a position as teacher in the oral department of the Louisiana State school for the Deaf. Miss Finlay recently returned from Philadelphia, where she has been studying and the present opportunity to teach comes as a compliment to her.

\$57.55 Jacksonville to Portland, Ore., and return via THE ALTON, Jan. 6, 7, 8 and 9, 1904, good return until Jan. 31, 1904; account of National Livestock association meeting.

A. Melton, special agent for the American Fire Insurance company, New York, will leave next week for Kansas City. He has been given state of Kansas as his territory for the month. Mrs. Melton will accompany him and their daughter will be the Woman's college.

ROLL CALL

Annual Meeting of the Baptist Church Held—Debt Wiped Out.

The members of the First Baptist church held their annual roll call Thursday evening at the church, which was largely attended.

It was one of the most enthusiastic meetings held in that church for many days, for people had gathered there to see culminated a movement set on foot some time ago to raise the entire amount of deficit necessary to wipe out the old mortgage. In this the pastor had been successful and at the close of the roll call the mortgage was taken to the front of the church and Miss Williamson, president of the ladies' society, which organization has been invaluable in carrying on the church work, held it over a candle until it had burned into ashes.

This frees the church from debt and the work for the year 1904 starts most auspiciously. During the past year the attendance has largely increased at both morning and evening meetings, and additions have been made to the church membership.

The following program was given in the auditorium of the church:

Prayer By the pastor
Solo, (selected) Mr. S. C. Wood
"A Neglected Service" (The Sunday School) Mr. Thomas
"A Great Need," (Men in the Church Life) Mr. Obermeyer
Anthem—"We March to Victory,"

Choir
Talk—"Count Your Blessings,"
..... Mr. Laughlin
Solo, (selected) Mrs. Thomas

ROLL CALL

"Something not Down on the Program," Pastor
Doxology.
Benediction.

Following the program the audience repaired to the church parlors, where refreshments were served by the ladies of the church, after which the following toasts were responded to: Joseph F. Shreve acted as toast master:

TOASTS
"Our Hostess" J. B. Williamson
Response—Mrs. J. P. Brown.

"How Things Look to the Outsider" H. B. Samuels

"Mutual Appreciation" T. W. Beadle

"Church Enterprise" Rev. T. H. Marsh

"The Man Without a Subject" F. M. Coard

Mr. Coard in closing his remarks called in Daniel Tinsley, the church janitor, and with appropriate remarks presented him with a purse containing \$100. His visit yesterday was for the members of the church. "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" was the closing hymn. A number remained for the prayer service to watch the old year out.

TO THE PUBLIC.

I beg to thank our many patrons for the many favors shown during the past year and ask a continuance of same, assuring all my full appreciation and wishing everyone a happy, bright and prosperous New Year.

J. HERMAN,
Jacksonville's Leading Milliner

JANUARY 5

MATRIMONIAL RECORD.

KIRKMAN-WERNER.

Thomas Kirkman, of Winchester, and Miss Emma Werner, of Merritt, were married by Dr. W. F. Short at his residence on West State street Thursday morning, at 11 o'clock. Both are highly respected young people and come from prominent families in Scott county.

CRAVIN-WOOD.

Frank Cravin, of Williamsfield and Miss Margaret Wood, of Arenzville, were married Wednesday evening, at 6 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. Mr. Brooks, of Arenzville, performed the ceremony.

It was a quiet home wedding and only immediate relatives of the contracting parties were present. The bride is a young lady of charming personality and refined tastes, and has many friends.

The groom is a young man of ability and is engaged in the profession of teaching. He has taught for a number of years in various places in Illinois and is at present principal of schools at Williamsfield, Ill.

DOBSON-ANGELO.

Miss Martha Angelo, of this city and Edward Dobson, of Murrayville, were married Thursday evening, at the home of the bride, on Southwest street, at 7 o'clock, about twenty of relatives and immediate acquaintances being present. Rev. W. H. Musgrove, pastor of Brooklyn Methodist church, performed the ceremony, following which the guests were seated to an elegant supper. The bride and groom are highly respected young people and will reside on a farm near Murrayville.

WHITTAKER-CASSELL.

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of A. H. Cassell on North Fayette street Thursday evening, when his daughter, Miss Maud Cassell was united in marriage with Mr. Joseph L. Whittaker, of St. Louis. Rev. J. F. John performed the ceremony, using the beautiful Episcopal service. The bride looked charming in white Persian lawn, en-traine, trimmed in fine lace and insertion. She carried bride's roses.

Miss Nellie Cassell, cousin of the bride, was brides maid. She was groomed in white Persian lawn, daintily trimmed in lace and carried pink carnations. The best man was Tennyson B. Gale, of St. Louis. Miss May Whittaker played the wedding march. The bride was escorted to the altar by her father and then the service was said. Congratulations followed and then an elegant supper was served to the company by the host and hostess. About sixty guests were present. The young people were the recipients of some beautiful presents, among which was a solid silver tea set. The bride, who is very well known here in Jacksonville, is a young lady of charming characteristics and has many friends to wish her happiness. The groom is well thought of by those who know him best.

Those from a distance attending the wedding were: Mrs. Sarah B. Whittaker, mother of the groom, Miss May Whittaker, Miss Lena Whittaker, sister of the groom, Mr. Tennyson B. Gale, all of St. Louis; Mrs. E. L. Walsh, Springfield.

Persons indebted to the Ledger book store are requested to settle their accounts.

M. K. Martin, of Abingdon, don, is in Jacksonville a few days with his sister, Miss Mary Martin. Miss Catherine Wood is the guest of relatives in Springfield.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Club Gave First Annual Dance New Year's Eve—A Brilliant Event.

A scene of beauty but inadequately describes the appearance of Piepenbring's hall on the occasion of the University of Illinois club dance New Year's eve. Elaborate decorations, brilliant lights and handsomely gowned women made a picture that will not soon fade from the memory of the merry dancers, who enjoyed a program of twenty-two numbers and four extras. The decorations were in old gold and navy blue, the university colors, American flags, panels of red and a profusion of holly rosettes, while streamers of evergreen reached from one end of the hall to the other and from side to side. On the side walls were the university pennants with letters of old gold against a background of navy blue and large clusters of holly hid the chandeliers, whose molaw lights were shaded to a tinge of red.

At 11:30 an elegant supper was served and the function was one of the most delightful holiday events that has taken place in social circles in years.

The dance last evening was termed the first annual dance of the Jacksonville University of Illinois club and the success of the enterprise will make future renewments of the club anticipated with pleasure. The members of the club are Fred C. Carriel, Fred H. Winslow, Fred Oenal, Moses Greenleaf, Edward Buxton, Bert S. Gray, Charles Rapp, Bert W. Hardy, Thomas M. Yates and Henry R. Arneling. The first seven of the gentlemen constitute the dance committee and Fred H. Carriel was the floor manager. The programs were of very artistic design with a cut of the U. of I. pin in colors on the front.

The patrons were Mrs. H. F. Carriel, Mrs. Constance Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Rutledge, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Alexander and Horace H. Bancroft. Among the number present were Misses Abigail King, E. Louise Smith, Margaret Smith, Fanita Weir, Gladys Osborne, Frances Hatch, Laura McDonald, Kuntz, Lucile Harris, Alleen Arenz, Watt of Winchester, Mure, Hutchinson, Bessie DeLew, Mitchell, Cobb, Dougherty, Nora Miller of Tennessee, Rose Bellatti, Schulte of St. Louis, Hodgson, Florence Ward, Annie Clayton, Muller, Mae Brown, Ruth Bellatti, Louise Smith, Lang, Grace Greenleaf, Mollie Cully and Helen Hall; Messrs. Fred Carriel, Fred Winslow, Edwin Buxton, Bert S. Gray, Charles Rapp, Fred Oenal, Moses Greenleaf, B. W. Hardy, T. M. Yates, Henry Arneling, Herbert L. Smith, Frank B. Schermerhorn, Clyde Martin, Malcolm, Harold Gay, Robert Kennedy, Earl Vickery, Marshall McDonald, Carl Richards, Ned Greenleaf, Alden Brown, Walter Bellatti, Briggs, Wilfred Ayers, Fred Coleman, William Kirby, E. P. Brockhouse, Dr. William Young George Watson and Allen.

K. OF P. DANCE.

One of the pleasantest holiday social events was the K. of P. dance given at their elegant hall on the north side of the square Thursday evening by Favorite lodge No. 376 and Jacksonville lodge No. 152. Eckels' orchestra furnished excellent music for the dance program and light refreshments were served during the evening. The floor was never in better condition and the event was one of the most delightful given by these lodges, who have an enviable reputation along social lines. The committees who managed the dance were J. B. Sibert, Charles Taylor and A. Bromlee, of Jacksonville lodge, and H. L. Smith, J. F. Claus and Albert Knollenberg, of Favorite lodge.

HOLIDAY GREETING

To My Many Friends and Patrons.

As the new year dawns I take this opportunity to thank my customers for the liberal patronage of the twelve months just past and to express the hope that during the new year to come the friendly relations between us will be continued and strengthened. Wishing all a happy and prosperous New Year.

I am yours respectfully,
George S. Gay,
Hardware Dealer.

There will be something doing today at the Conservatory Restaurant—turkey and trimmings
B. F. Wooster.

LICENSES FOR A YEAR.

During the month of December County Clerk Graffius issued forty-three marriage licenses. In the same month last year forty-six were issued and in 1901 the number was twenty-nine. During the year 1903 these were 344 licenses granted, in 1902 there were 328 and in 1901 the number was 321.

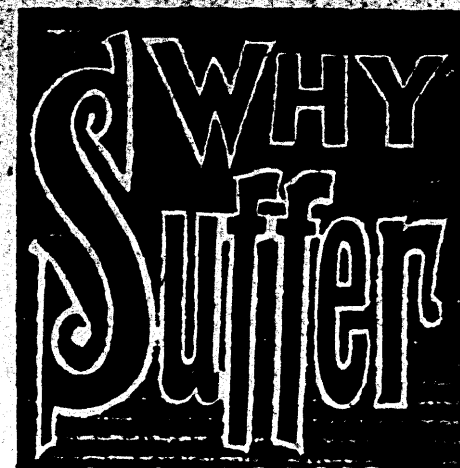
POLICE NEWS.

Andrew Howard was arrested by Captain Kennedy and Patrolman Powers for drunkenness.

Edward Powers was taken in by Captain Kennedy for malicious mischief.

WATCHED THE YEAR DIE.

Thirty-five friends of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur DeOrnelas gathered at their home on Walnut street last night and watched the old year wade into the new. Misses Mary Hamilton and Ruth Hamilton, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur DeOrnelas, were the only ones to stay in the city.



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INDIANA'S RAGING TADS.

Bottle of Port to Be Opened by a Social Club's Last Member.

A young man of Covington, Ind., in 1847 read in a Cincinnati newspaper of a social club which had been formed years before that date. The last surviving member of the club had broken the bottle of whisky that had been on the banquet table at every anniversary of the first meeting.

The incident impressed the reader, and he formed a similar club in Covington. The membership was twenty, and the club was called the Raging Tads. The members were Burnett D. Van Troon, Albert Mallory, Shel Hannegan, James McManoney, Lewis R. Hetfield, Charles Hanksler, Samuel Fields, Sanford Crane, William Bradley, William Donaldson, William Pribble, Edward Mallory, Sidney Harper, Ed Pullen, Alexander Hetfield, Elias Wilcox, Frank Clark, Harvey Johnson, Rufus Pribble and Bob Brown.

Instead of whisky a bottle of port wine was put on the table, and this was to be broken by the last member. On Thanksgiving was the fifty-sixth anniversary dinner of the Raging Tads. Two of the four survivors met at Covington, with the bottle between them. Colonel McManoney, who will be eighty years old in March, and Lewis Hetfield, who is now eighty years old, were the partakers of the feast. Bob Brown, eighty-three years old, lives in Nebraska, and Harvey Johnson, of the same age, in Illinois. They were unable to attend.

The Covington men are hale and hearty, but were much affected by the smallness of their numbers. They shed tears as they spoke of their former companions. Mr. Hetfield said:

"I don't want to be the last. It will be a sad, a very sad, occasion, the opening of that old bottle."

"I wouldn't open that bottle for anything in the world," said Colonel McManoney.

The bottle is cared for as if it were priceless value. From one Thanksgiving to the next it is stored in the vault of the Covington Banking company, where it will not have to remain any years before its seal is broken by the last of the Raging Tads.

NEW YEAR MESSAGE.

of the United States Naval Observatory Scheme.

United States naval observatory at Arlington recently announced the scheme to send telegraphic signals throughout the world at the beginning of the new year. The signals were sent out last year for the first time, and the great standard time of the United States, but this proposed not only to secure a distribution of these new year throughout North and South by the co-operation of the cable companies, but also to send out the four series around the world and back to the naval observatory at Arlington.

The signals will be sent at 11:55 p. m.

and end at midnight, eastern time. The same series will be sent out an hour later, ending at midnight, central standard time; again an hour later, ending at 2 a. m. for midnight of mountain standard time, and again an hour after that, ending at 3 a. m. for midnight of Pacific coast standard time. In each of these four five-minute intervals the clock will send an electric impulse practically every second. On the world circuit the signals will go by land lines to Cape Canso, Nova Scotia; thence by cable to the Azores, Lisbon, Gibraltar, Malta, Alexandria and Port Said; by land to Suez; by cable to Aden and Bombay; by land to Madras; by cable to Penang, Singapore, Saigon, Hongkong, Manila, Guam, Midway, Honolulu and San Francisco, and by land back to Washington.

It is proposed to receive both the outgoing and incoming signals on the same chronograph at the naval observatory and thus preserve a permanent graphic record of both on a single sheet of paper. It is suggested that, besides demonstrating the possibilities of practical astronomy and telegraphy working together through international co-operation, benefits will result from the general attention that it will direct to the advantages of the use of accurate standard time throughout the world. The messages will also carry a New Year's greeting to the world.

Plan to Prevent Army Desertions.
Iron railings eight feet high are to be erected all round the city of Metz. The object, it is said, is to prevent desertions from the army, which have attained a very high figure.

A Frosty Morning.
I love these frosty mornings,
When all the outer air
Is tingling with a freshness
And vim beyond compare.

The north wind in the tree tops
Proclaims the coming dawn
And sends the crisp leaves rattling
Across the frozen lawn.

From some adjacent farmyard
A watchful chancier
With raucous, joyous crowing
Assails the atmosphere.

Then, nearer home, a watchdog,
Awakened from his sleep,
Gives voice to his resentment
In tones prolonged and deep.

A wagon, bound for market,
Goes creaking down the road.
I hear the axles grinding
Beneath the heavy load.

The light grows at my window,
And on the pane I see
Jack Frost has limned a picture
Of silver tracery.

Now from the servants' stairway
Soft feet descend the hall,
And then a kitchen shutter
Bangs out against the wall.

I love these frosty mornings,
To note these things and then
To draw the bedclothes closer
And go to sleep again.

—Catholic Standard and Times.

A kidney or bladder trouble can always be cured by using Foley's Kidney Cure in time. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

TWAIN'S PARTING JOKE

Mark Tells of His Legal Troubles Over a Contract.

SAYS HEA TOO PURE, TOO INNOCENT

Humorist Confesses He Cannot Feel Anybody and Tells of His Experiences in Buying an Umbrella from a Stranger Whom He Appealed to for Advice.

Mark Twain, the great humorist, has had the good fortune to be able to bring all his books under the control of one publishing firm. The contract was concluded just before he recently sailed for Italy for the benefit of his wife's health. In a farewell interview he said, in speaking of the new arrangement:

"For three or four weeks now I have been bothering over this contract, full of strange things about the party of the first part and the party of the second part, and I have never yet been able to make out whether I was the party of the first part, the party of the second part or any party at all. Throughout all these four weeks' work my respect for the Divine Creator has grown week by week, because, while it took us a month to create a contract, he created the world in only six days."

"I have found this dealing with lawyers an expensive undertaking. It has cost me four umbrellas already, to say nothing of the onslaught upon my morals. I have done nothing but buy umbrellas and leave them in my lawyer's office. The other day I stopped at one of the umbrella counters in a big downtown office building, where there were three piles of umbrellas. One pile was marked \$1, the second pile \$2, and the third pile was marked \$3. I did not look beyond the third pile, because this contract was not yet signed, and I was not certain how much money I could afford to spend. I said to the man in charge of the umbrellas: 'I am a stranger from west of the Mississippi, all unused to the effects of the east. I came from the wild and hoping west, and I appeal to you as a man whether, in your judgment, you being an eastern man and I a stranger on his first visit to your great city, you would advise me to buy this \$1 umbrella for \$1, the \$2 umbrella for \$2 or the \$3 umbrella for \$3? I ask you this as a pilgrim and a stranger.' And the man, looking me straight in the eye, said, 'As man to man and speaking heart to heart to you, a stranger, I would advise you to buy the \$3 umbrella—Mr. Mark Twain.'"

"Which shows that a man with a past can't get away from it, even if he has become honest enough to buy his own umbrellas. That is the trouble with me. I can't fool anybody. I am too pure, too innocent. Everybody takes advantage of my innocence. It is a mighty good thing I was not born a girl."

"I am going abroad and may never see my fellow Americans again in this life and I hope for their sakes not in the next."

ANTI-OSCULATION SOCIETY.

National Organization That Forbids Kissing and Googoo Eyes.

A. S. Rutherford, secretary of the National Anti-osculation Society of America, believes that it is more important to enlist the kisser than the kissee, and so he avows frankly that he would rather bring under his anti-osculation banner the men than the women, says a San Francisco special.

Rutherford has attached to his anti-kissing pledge the pledge "to abstain from the use for purposes of attraction, allurements or fascination of all such facial expressions and contortions as are known and designated by the names of cat's eyes, sheep's eyes, googoo eyes, winks, blushes or other designing alterations of countenance."

The member also binds himself or herself "not to make use of any terms of endearment, such as lovely, sweetness, birdie, littlest, onliest, tootsy wootsy, etc., to any one, whether a member of this organization or not."

The Riches of Alaska.

Colonel Dick Plunkett, whose administering of the duties of marshal in Creede, Colo., and other western mining camps is a matter of record, is widely known for his assiduous distribution of the shamrock among well known men, whose acknowledgments he treasures. He arrived at New York a few days ago from Alaska, says the New York Tribune.

"The mineral wealth of Alaska," said the colonel, "has as yet only been scratched. Alaska has wealth for the world, and in the next two years it will be more in the public eye than any other quarter of the globe. I have been in the territory for nearly two years, and after more than twenty years' experience in the mining camps in the western states I pronounce Alaska a great treasure house. My most recent investigations have been on Prince of Wales island, where there is a mountain of copper."

Christmas Tree on a Yacht.

A new steam yacht, the Vergemere, with A. C. Bostwick, the millionaire automobile and family, and a party of friends aboard, recently left New York for the Mediterranean, where Mr. Bostwick expects to spend the winter, says the New York American. Mr. Bostwick and party plan to celebrate the holidays on the yacht, and the feature of the trip will be a big Christmas tree for the children. The party will visit the principal cities of the Mediterranean and return to New York in the spring.

New Law For Boys.

There should be some sort of law framed whereby each boy just as in France and Germany each child should perform his term of military duty must spend at least three winters of his boy time in the country, says a writer in Outlook. And when a boy's country is not his own, he should be sent to some foreign country.

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES.

Methodist Pastor Says Later Are Parasites and Unnecessary.

These are the principles laid down by David Morgan, Methodist clergyman, city missionary and Methodist leader, during a discussion at the Hamline (Minn.) Six O'clock club the other afternoon, says a St. Paul (Minn.) dispatch to the Chicago Tribune:

"Ministers of the gospel are parasites. Religion and the church are luxuries. Teachers and professors are leeches. Schools and universities are non-sensentials."

"Society can exist without churches and without schools," said the Rev. Mr. Morgan during a point in the debate, "if having been founded before either existed."

"You are a parasite on society," he said to Professor R. W. Cooper, a professor of English literature in the Hamline university, who refuted his argument.

"I may say the same of you," replied the professor.

"I acknowledge it," said Morgan. "I am a parasite on society. All ministers are parasites."

"Your gospel leaves out the soul," replied the professor.

"Society is not made up of souls," replied Morgan. "The world can get along without the church. Religion is a luxury that people may have if they wish to pay for it. I do not believe in forcing all citizens to pay for it if they do not want it."

"Your creed is founded on selfishness. It is theorized selfishness and cannot stand," replied Cooper. "It leaves man with the beasts, and I speak with you not to argue, but to tell you of your mistake."

Morgan was still argumentative when Professor Cooper declined to carry the discussion further. Hamline residents at the position taken by the Rev. Mr. Morgan, who is regarded as one of the most influential ministers of the Methodist creed in Minnesota. They are wondering "What next?"

HAD NO USE FOR AMBERGRIS

Sailors Let a Fortune Slip Through Their Hands.

Two sailors on the Kelvinbank, which arrived at New York recently from the tropics, unwittingly let a fortune slip through their hands, says the New York Tribune. While off the coast of Brazil, Adolph Hansen and Peter Smith, who were on the dog watch, saw off the port bow a spongy mass of some greasy substance. It was black, with the exception of a few places where it was mottled like marble. Smith, who is a cockney dock rat, wondered what the "blooming thing" was, so dropping overside in the light of a rope, he captured the stuff and got on board with the help of his mate. No one knew what it was, and as it began to give off a most unpleasant and rank odor it was thrown overboard again after a fair quantity of it had been transferred to the slush bucket.

The contents of the slush bucket are generally the greasy refuse from the rigging, the flotsam found by the two sailors was thrown into this mixture, which the men used for various lubricants, including the greasing of their boots. While apparently full of grease, it lacked the fine points of a good piece of fat salt pork green with age, so the most of it was finally dropped overboard in disgust.

The men had no idea what they had picked up until they had been paid off at this port. One of them told a reporter and then learned that they had run across a lump of ambergris weighing probably 200 pounds, which would have netted them a sum that would have given them a month's disportation, even in Port Said. For the last few days the two men have been trying to drown their sorrows in the waters of Lethe as supplied along the water front, but all in vain.

NEW SOCIETIES IN LONDON

One Fights Demon Solemnity, the Other Introduces Lady Bachelors.

Two remarkable societies have been formed in London, says a cable dispatch to the New York World.

One, which calls itself "the Dancers," is intended to "fight the high and powerful devil solemnity." The members meet weekly, dressed in classic costumes, and dance rollicking measures of all times, the music and the dances being unearthed from the British museum.

The principal promoters of this fellowship are artistic people. Up to now the dancers have provided more fun for outsiders than for themselves. The prime mover is Miss Florence Karr, a clever actress, who formerly depicted London's "natural" gloom by playing leading parts in Isen plays.

The other society's object is to abolish the term "spinster." Spinster, it thinks, somehow implies scrappy and dignity, and today's unmarried women want to be known as "lady bachelors." It is agitating for removing the word "spinster" from the dictionaries and substituting "lady bachelor" in all legal documents.

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WARNING TO OLD WORLD

Government's Plan to Guard the Southern Republics.

"HANDS OFF" SIGN TO BE POSTED

Big Fleets to Enforce the Monroe Doctrine Both in Letter and Spirit in Central and South America. United States Will See Neighboring Republics Are Not Humiliated.

The administration is preparing to post a "Hands Off" sign on South and Central America which will be so big and plain that every nation on earth can read and understand it, says a Washington special to the New York World.

The Monroe doctrine will be enforced both in letter and spirit, in the broadest sense in which it can be interpreted, and no repetition of the Venezuelan incident or anything closely approaching it will be permitted. It is explained that this does not mean that the little republics of Latin America will be allowed to take refuge behind the United States to evade payment of their debts. If necessary, the United States will exert friendly pressure to bring about the faithful discharge of their obligations, but in any event American warships, and plenty of them, will be on guard to see that their creditors do not apply any serious or humiliating amount of force.

Just how European bondholders are to secure their money if the little republics refuse to pay up and the United States will not allow the treatment that was given Venezuela to be repeated is a matter for other nations to worry about, according to the decision of the president and his advisers.

The action that has been decided on and which the general board of the navy has arranged to carry out amounts to little less than the policing the waters of the isthmus and the "northern shore of South America," which is the region that some of the nations of Europe are believed to be most covetously eying. Hereafter American warships will be much more familiar objects in those waters than in home harbors.

At the time the fleets of the allied powers were blockading and bombarding Venezuela the navy department, by order of the president, was careful to keep all American warships well away from those waters through a fear that the motive of sending them there might be misunderstood and lead to friction. Hereafter, also by order of the president, American warships will be right at the hitherto avoided spot all of the time.

The "Hands Off" sign will be posted immediately after the winter maneuvers of the combined fleets in the Caribbean, when, instead of returning to their accustomed haunts, an imposing array of warships flying the stars and stripes will be permanently located almost within shooting distance of South America and the isthmus. Culebra and Guantamano will then become the joint base of operations of the powerful battleship squadron.

The battleships will cruise around the Caribbean, visiting ports in the West Indies, South America and along the isthmus. They will come north only in the middle of the summer to take part in the combined maneuvers off the New England coast. The Caribbean squadron, when not engaged in other parts of the Caribbean, will be stationed at Culebra. The base of operations of the coast squadron will be at Key West. The training squadron will continue to have its summer bases in Hampton Roads and Long Island sound, but it will be in these waters for not more than three months of the year. The rest of the time it will cruise in the gulf of Mexico and will keep a watchful eye on the isthmus. Its base during the winter, spring and fall will be Pensacola.

Nothing could more forcibly show the determination of the administration to protect the republics of South America from foreign interference as well as from foreign invasion than the official announcement of this programme. When this was suggested to a high official of the navy, he said:

"We can only tell what it has been decided to do. We cannot explain, even if any explanation were necessary."

How Sea Gull Caused a Wreck.

Investigation shows that a sea gull caused the wreck of the British second class cruiser Flora, which was recently badly off Village Point reef, near Nanaimo, says a Tacoma (Wash.) dispatch to the New York Herald.

When the accident happened both Captain Baker and the navigating officer were on the bridge. They mistook the spar buoy at Village Point for the cage buoy two miles farther down the sound and steered their course toward the shore, grounding on a reef in consequence. A sea gull perched on top of the spar buoy is said to have given it a resemblance in the fog to the cage buoy. Both buoys are in the same side of the channel.

The Bath.

[Lines on reading a Chicago physician's assertion that bathing is dangerous.]
Dear friends, be wise, no longer rise
At an unearthly hour.
You see, the learned man denies
That a bath is a healthful cure.
Your life will fly, you'll never die,
If only you'll wash.
The doctor says the towel dry,
The soap and water too!

If you would scrub in daily tub,
Then most you rise at six.
For if you scrub in daily tub,
Then most you rise at six.

Boer Colony in Mexico.

Said to Be Assuming Proportions of Successful Enterprise.

The Boer colony in Santa Rosalia, in Mexico, will soon be successfully launched, as is shown by the fact that within the next few months many more new families from South Africa will arrive, says the Chihuahua dispatch to the Mexican Herald. Preparations are now being made for their reception, and the welcome given the people seeking a new home will be a hearty one.

General W. D. Symms, who has as his sole ambition the forming of a Boer colony in America, is at Santa Rosalia and is in the best of spirits, as he is rapidly realizing his cherished hopes. He has received word that ten Boer families sailed from Cape Town on Nov. 4. A brother of General Symms, who is now in South Africa, is selling out his interests there and will arrive at Santa Rosalia in April with ten families, and in February Henning Van Aswegen, who is engaged to the daughter of the general, will arrive with ten more families. With this number of Boers in the colony the project will be a success, and the earnest work of the promoter will be rewarded.

Revels of Fencing in Japan.

The practice of fencing has been revived among young Japanese noblemen.

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DEMOCRACY IN EDUCATION.

An Englishman Is Impressed by Our State Universities.

Hon. William Henry Jones, member of the English parliament, who is visiting the United States with the Mosely delegation which has for its purpose the study of higher educational methods in America, is much impressed with the growth of democracy in education here and declares that the state universities are superior to the privately endowed colleges.

In a recent statement Mr. Jones said it would be difficult to name the first five great American universities, as we have so many institutions of unquestionably high standing and large purpose, but that if he were to do so seriously he probably would have to name them, following the sun, Harvard, Cornell, the University of Michigan, the University of Wisconsin and the University of California.

To name the first ten, he said, would be still more difficult, as that would put a larger number of great institutions into competition, but that if he were to do so it would be almost impossible for him to add any five to the first list mentioned that did not include the state universities of Illinois, Nebraska, Minnesota and possibly Kansas and Tennessee.

He states that if there is any one college that would have preference with him it probably would be the University of Wisconsin.

"This university," he says, "is strong in numbers. It is democracy, where merit alone counts. Its standing in scholarship is of the highest; its degrees are recognized by every university in the world, and its spirit and purpose are as broad and inclusive as the universe. Unlike the older colleges of the east, it is not circumscribed and hampered by a conservative, classic curriculum, nor is it intimidated by its benefactors, as are some of the colleges founded by the predatory rich."

"It is the wholesome product of a commonwealth of 3,000,000 people, sane, democratic, industrial and progressive, with ideals and unafraid of ideas. It responds to every need of humanity; it knits together the professions and labor; it makes the fine arts and the anvil one. There are many of these state universities that have much or all of this, but to this must be added the natural endowment of the University of Wisconsin—its location is sublime."

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Said to Be Assuming Proportions of Successful Enterprise.

The Boer colony in Santa Rosalia, in Mexico, will soon be successfully launched, as is shown by the fact that within the next few months many more new families from South Africa will arrive, says the Chihuahua dispatch to the Mexican Herald. Preparations are now being made for their reception, and the welcome given the people seeking a new home will be a hearty one.

General W. D. Symms, who has as his sole ambition the forming of a Boer colony in America, is at Santa Rosalia and is in the best of spirits, as he is rapidly realizing his cherished hopes. He has received word that ten Boer families sailed from Cape Town on Nov. 4. A brother of General Symms, who is now in South Africa, is selling out his interests there and will arrive at Santa Rosalia in April with ten families, and in February Henning Van Aswegen, who is engaged to the daughter of the general, will arrive with ten more families. With this number of Boers in the colony the project will be a success, and the earnest work of the promoter will be rewarded.

Revels of Fencing in Japan.

The practice of fencing has been revived among young Japanese noblemen.

For Christmas

You could not make a more acceptable or serviceable Christmas gift than an Overcoat or a Suit of Clothes. A pair of trousers wouldn't make a bad remembrance. All garments from us are correctly tailored.

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SELIGMAN BROS.

GRAVEL SPRINGS WATER.

The Purest And Most Poular.

This water is so pure it will not change color like other spring water, nor has it a foreign taste by standing long in a jar.

We also handle a full line of Coffees and Teas at reasonable prices.

We also sell sugar in a retail way at wholesale prices.

WABASH

WEST BOUND.

No. 1, daily, Leave 7:00 a. m.
No. 19, daily, except Sunday, 10:10 a. m.
No. 1, daily, except Sunday, 1:40 p. m.
No. 9, daily, except Sunday, 6:20 p. m.

CHICAGO & ALTON RAILROAD

TIME TABLE

Corrected to Sunday, Dec. 6, 1903. Subject to change without notice.

*Daily. *Idly except Sunday.

*No. 10, Chicago vestibule limited 2:23 p. m.

*No. 12, Atlantic express 6:00 p. m.

*No. 14, Chicago express 1:12 p. m.

*No. 14, Chicago and Peoria ex. 5:45 a. m.

*No. 11, Kansas City express 5:42 a. m.

*No. 13, Kansas City day express 10:15 a. m.

*No. 3, Roadhouse accommodation 5:22 a. m.

*No. 7, K. C., Col. & Cal. limited 11:47 a. m.

JACKSONVILLE ALA. VIA ALTON

Leave Jacksonville 6:50 a. m.

Arrive Peoria 10:30 a. m.

Leave Peoria 7:25 a. m.

Arrive Jacksonville 10:06 a. m.

JACKSONVILLE ST. LOUIS TR.

Leave Jacksonville 7:23 a. m.

Arrive St. Louis 10:40 a. m.

Leave St. Louis 8:12 a. m.

Arrive Jacksonville 11:40 a. m.

OSCAR L. HILL, Agt.

JACKSONVILLE & ST. LOUIS

Pass. No. 1, No. 4.

Malaga grapes—15@20c lb.
Cooking apples—25 to 40c peck.
Oranges—12 1/2 doz.
Lemons—10 to 12 doz.
California grapes—14@16.
Bananas—15 to 20c dozen.
Oranges—California navel, 30@40c.
Gooch—10c each.
Florida oranges—30@40c dozen.
New English walnuts, 15@25c lb.
Black walnuts—30c peck.
Shellbark hickory nuts, small—50c per peck.
Hickory nuts, large—35c peck.
Large chestnuts—15c lb.
Pecans—9@15c lb.
Almonds—20@25c lb.
Dates—10c lb.
Popcorn—5c lb.
Filberts—15c lb.
Brazil nuts—15c lb.
Mixed nuts—20c lb.

VEGETABLE QUOTATIONS.
Spanish onions—5c lb.
Green beans—15c quart.
Wax beans—15c quart.
Cabbage—2 1/2c lb; red cabbage 4c.
Beardstown sweet potatoes—35c pk.
Potatoes—25c peck; 90c bushel.
Onions—35c peck.
Cucumbers—15@20c each.
Red peppers—5c dozen.
Carrots—35c peck.
Florida grape fruit—10 to 20c each.
Celery—10c (3 stalks) home grown.
Michigan celery—85c dozen.
Cauliflower—15@25c head.
Lettuce—5@10c head.

DAIRY PRODUCE.
Butter—Country, 20c lb; Elgin creamery, 30c lb.
Guaranteed eggs—30c dozen.
POULTRY AND GAME.
Prices paid farmers.
Hens, dressed—10c lb.
Turkeys, dressed—17c lb.
Geese—50c each.
Ducks, dressed—10c lb.

PRICES PAID BY COMMISSION MEN.
Cull turkeys—9c lb.
Ducks—7c lb.
Hides, green—5c lb.
Hides, salt cured—6c lb.
Fresh eggs—23c dozen.
Hens and pullets—7c lb.
Cocks—3c lb.
Stags—5c lb.
Young tom turkeys—11c lb.
Hen turkeys—11c lb.
Old tom turkeys—10c lb.
Fresh butter—12 1/2@15c.
Springs—7c lb.
Guineas—10c lb.
Pigeons—60c dozen.

FRESH AND SMOKED MEATS.
Fresh pork and bacon—10@12 1/2c.
Lard—10@12 1/2c lb.
Roast beef—10c lb.
Sirloin steak—15c lb.
Porterhouse steak—15c lb.
Round steak—12 1/2c lb.
Chuck steak—10c lb.
Shoulders—10c lb.
Lamb chops—15@20c lb.
Mutton—12 1/2@15c lb.

FISH AND OYSTERS.
White fish—15c lb.
Trout—15c lb.
Carp—12 1/2c lb.
Sunfish—10c lb.
Catfish—15c lb.
Chamnel cat—15c lb.
Buffalo—10c lb.
Blue Point oysters in shell—15c doz.
Standards—40c quart.
Selects—50c quart.

FLOUR.
Hercules and White Lily, \$1.25.
Billsbury, \$1.40.
Benn Hur, \$1.40.
Perfection, \$1.15.
Standard, \$1.15.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.
Hay—Timothy, \$10@11 a ton; clover, \$9@10 a ton.
Straw—Oat, baled, \$5.00@6.00 ton; wheat, baled, \$4.50@5.00 a ton.
Corn—New, 45c bushel; old, 50c.
Oats—40c bushel.

At this season of coughs and colds it is well to know that Foley's Honey and Tar is the greatest throat and lung remedy. It cures quickly and prevents serious results from a cold. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION.
This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept on hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be ward off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take, both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. For sale by all druggists.

A THOUSAND DOLLAR WORTH OF GOOD.
A. H. Thurmes, a well known coal operator of Buffalo, O., writes: "I have been afflicted with kidney and bladder trouble for years, passing gravel or stones with excruciating pain. I have been unable to do any work until I began using Foley's Kidney and Bladder Remedy. It has cured me and I am now able to do my work as usual."

GOVERNMENTS.
Registered 2s 106 1/2
Registered 3s 106 1/2
Coupon 3s 106 1/2
Registered 4s, new 107 1/2
Coupon 4s, new 107 1/2
Registered 4s, old 104 1/2
Coupon 4s, old 104 1/2
Registered 5s 101 1/2
Coupon 5s 101 1/2

STOCKS.
Atchafalpa preferred 97 1/2
Atchafalpa 97 1/2
Baltimore and Ohio 80
Chicago and Alton 81
Northwestern 103 1/2
Rio Grande 21
Rio Grande preferred 21 1/2
Illinois Central 113 1/2
Louisville and Nashville 110
Metropolitan 124 1/2
Missouri Pacific 102 1/2
New York Central 119 1/2
Pennsylvania 112 1/2
Reading 105 1/2
Rock Island 82 1/2
Rock Island preferred 82 1/2
St. Paul 140
Southern Pacific 93 1/2
Southern Railway 88 1/2
Union Pacific preferred 98 1/2
Wabash 29 1/2
Wisconsin Central 17 1/2
Consolidated Copper 32 1/2
Columbia and Potomac 32 1/2
Colorado and Iron 29 1/2
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PEOPLE OF THE DAY

It may not be generally known that Miss Helen M. Gould is a diligent and enthusiastic Bible student. Such, however, she is. As an outgrowth of her interest in this subject, she has



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offered prizes for the best essays on the double topic first, "The Origin and History of the Version of the Bible Approved by the Roman Catholic Church," second, "The Origin and History of the American Revised Version of the English Bible." This topic may be treated in two parts or otherwise.

The prizes are \$1,000 for the first, \$500 for the second and \$250 for the third. The essays must be submitted before June 1, 1904. The contest is open to all without respect to creed, color or country.

Notice of intention to write a paper should be sent as soon as possible to the president of the Bible Teachers' Training school, 83 East Fifty-fifth street, New York city.

He Makes Short Prayers.
When certain Illinois legislators last spring said that \$3 a day was too much pay for prayers as brief as those of the legislature's chaplain they probably were not acquainted with the rule of brevity set for special sessions by the presiding clergyman of the house of representatives in Washington, says a Washington correspondent.

Dr. Couiden, who prays over the congressmen daily, can now closer to the short lines in the matter of petitions than any other cleric on record. It may be that Dr. Couiden is wise in his congregation if not in his generation and knows that he assures attention by cutting short. He shows marked wisdom in another way. His prayers thus far in the session have begun with "Our Father," the two words only, and then have gone to the Trinity as a finality, with nothing in between. As there are several members of the house, notably those from New England, who are tinctured with the heresy of Arius, the prayer suits both Unitarians and Trinitarians, with no objection to be entered by the unbelievers.

Dr. Couiden, by the way, will not be promoted to the senate chaplaincy, that post going, it is believed, to Dr. Lowell of Connecticut, who, while not bald, has only one arm. He was a soldier and lost his arm in battle. Dr. Lowell is a Congregationalist and was for a time chaplain of the Connecticut legislature.

A Popular Labor Leader.
At the recent annual convention of the American Federation of Labor held in Boston Samuel Gompers was re-elected president of the organization. The only opposition to Mr. Gompers' election was shown by the socialist delegates, but when the votes were counted the socialists were found to be defeated by almost ten to one. Gompers has been president of the federation since its organization in 1887. With the exception of one year, when the post-



SAMUEL GOMPERS

tion was held by John McBride, an Ohio coal miner. A character by trade and a member of a trades union since he was a youth, Samuel Gompers grew up with the modern American labor movement. He is thoroughly acquainted with the history of trades unionism and is also well informed upon all the theories and aims which have to do with the workingman. As a presiding officer he has few equals in the legislative bodies of the country. He is ready to debate upon economic and social questions and can furnish cogent

SENATORS' EXPENSES

Luxuries Bought For Members of the Upper House.

CANDY AND QUININE IN THE LIST

Telegraph Message to John D. Rockefeller Paid For by the Government—It Cost Thirty Cents and Was Sent by Senator Aldrich—Hairbrushes and Scent Among the Items Bought Last Year.

Just 30 cents' worth of telegraphing, for which the government paid, took place between John D. Rockefeller, the Standard Oil magnate, and Senator Nelson W. Aldrich of Rhode Island during the last year, according to the official report of the secretary of the senate. It is presumed the telegram was on official business, says a Washington dispatch to the New York World.

The entry is under "miscellaneous items" in the "confidential account of the senate," and is dated May 2, 1902. "Aldrich, Washington, to Rockefeller, New York, 30."

That's all. The list also shows that during the time Senator Fokker and "Boss" Cox of Cincinnati were not on speaking terms, supposedly, Senator Fokker sent Mr. Cox fourteen telegrams.

Senator Beveridge holds the record for telegrams sent. From the record it would appear that every time Senator Fairbanks sent a telegram to Indiana Senator Beveridge rushed to the nearest telegraph office and sent three.

Senators Platt and Depew either paid for the bulk of their messages or "franked" them. All told, these two senators did not send more than twenty telegrams chargeable to the contingent fund. Senator Hanna and Senator Allison, known to his colleagues as "Pussy Foot," left no telegraphic trail.

Telegraphing is not the only luxury of a senator, for the report tells of 200 tons of "best timothy hay for use of the United States senate." It does not explain whether this has taken the place of breakfast foods or is for the use of the horses.

There is also an item of "one oak refrigerator and pan for committee on woman suffrage." Evidently, some senator in the privacy of his committee room is doing light housekeeping, for there appears "for repairing three electric stoves, \$4.35." The record does not show in what committee rooms the stoves are, but there is an entry for a year's subscription to the Ladies' Home Journal furnished C. D. Clark of Wyoming.

The senators exceeded their usual limit in luxuries, for they bought a "Piffard apparatus for static electric machine" for \$40 to be used in the barber shop. Although not every senator has hair on his head, some five dozen hairbrushes were bought and paid for out of the contingent fund of the senate, not to count nine dozen combs. The combs must be pretty bad in the senate, for forty pounds of camphor were bought and 100 pounds of sponges, which does not include one dozen bath sponges at \$20 a dozen.

Some of the other things bought for the senators to make them look and smell nice were attar of roses, oil of bergamot, glycerin, hair tonic, bay rum, vaseline, dandruff cures, a gallon of cologne, fourteen different kinds of soap and some feather dusters. As a special reward to senators who behaved themselves twenty-five pounds of horehound candy were purchased and dispensed, together with some 6,000 quinine tablets and the usual \$3,000 worth of mineral waters. Just as soon as a man becomes a senator he cultivates the mineral water habit, bathes in artificial salt water and steps out on velvet bath mats.

HOW CASSATT KEPT WARM.

Ingenuity in Heating Railway President's Wintered Train.
When President A. J. Cassatt of the Pennsylvania railroad and a party of railroad officials, which included Vice Presidents Fugh and Rex and Superintendent of Passenger Transportation Shearer, arrived at Pittsburgh recently the train of four "specials" was idled-tracked at Pittsford, says the Philadelphia Telegraph. When the locomotive was detached the supply of steam which heated the cars ceased. As the night was cold and damp, the discomfort of the coaches could not have been but marked.

Now, while Mr. Cassatt and the other members of the party would undoubtedly have accepted the situation with good grace, the Pittsburgh trainmen would have considered any discomfort suffered by the party as a reflection on their ability. So the lack of heat was supplied by the laying of a line of pipe 1,000 feet in length from the cars to an adjacent power house, from which was obtained an adequate supply of live steam during the night.

The thing was accomplished so quickly and quietly that none of the party was aware until the following morning that anything out of the ordinary had been done to insure their comfort.

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